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Example 1 and 1 an Warning Of New Unrest in Thailand The approach of John (e. Son Small Tonight Show of Small Tonight Show of Small Opposition Vows To Act if General

Ignores Reforms By Philip Shenon New York Times Service BANGKOK—The newly freed leader of Thailand's democracy povement, insisting that his protests were far from over, said Thursday that his supporters were prepared to flood back onto the streets of Bangkok within days, even if that meant more bloodshed. Sill Cochy Joked to United States that graduates that graduates that graduates that graduates that graduates the united their mental Jobs they are graduation. They courses in valet parks are courses in valet parks.

> The lingering issue is the mili-tary's influence. Page 7. Theis turn to their quiet, enigmentic king for help. Page 7.

The economy took a blow but it

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In an interview at his home in the

capital only hours after he was released from jail, the opposition leader, Chamlong Srimmang, said mass demonstrations would resome as early as next week if General Sachinda Kraprayoon, the prime minister, failed to abide by his yow to amend the Thai Constimtion and to provide amnesty to thousands of demonstrators arrest-Penner Disarmament with

Mr. Chamlong said he was not optimistic that General Suchinda and his military-controlled government would live up to their prom-

jees.
The next time, there will be bigger demonstrations, and not just in Bangkok but all over the country," said Mr. Chamlong, a Buddhist as-betic, retired army major general and member of parliament who is Theiland's most popular politician.
"I can't prechide violence," he

During unrest this week troops fired on demonstrators, killing, by the government's cost admission, at hour 19 people and wounding

With his defiant tone and his wilingness to accept more conflict, Mr. Chamlong made it clear Thursday that he would continue his protests until Mr. Suchinda, the forwas forced from power.

As Mr. Chamlong spoke, thousands of Thais were gathering at the city's Democracy Monument, the focal point of this week's clashes, to continue their demonstra-tions demanding Mr. Suchinda's resignation and an end to nearly six decades of the military's interference in That politics. The gather-See THAIS, Page 7



DECISION ON CRIMEA — A Russian woman demonstrating outside the Russian parliament Tuursday as it decided that the 1954 Soviet transfer of Crimea to Ukraine was illegal. Page 6.

EC to Cut Farm Subsidies, Opening Way to GATT Pact

By Charles Goldsmith

International Herald Tribune BRUSSELS - The European Community on Thursday adopted the most sweeping reform in the 30year history of its farm policy, a move that diplomats said was likely to transform European agriculture and pave the way for a global trade

The decision to cut European farm subsidies raised hopes of unblocking the Uruguay Round of world trade talks under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which have been stalled by a U.S.-EC dispute over the subsidy payments, diplomats

Ray MacSharry, the EC agriculture commissioner, said the accord was reached after 18 months of tornious negotiations capped by four days of marathon meetings.
"We want 2 GATT agreement,"
Mr. MacSharry said. "We've made

our contribution to world trade. Now let the Americans make their

Italy's objection involved its desire for higher milk production quotas than it was allotted, not the concept of farm reform. John Gummer, the British (arm minister, said: "The Italians have not, of course, agreed to the package. It was agreed by 11 to 1, which is a

great pity."

Italian officials had earlier said that if cornered. Rome might have resorted to a seldom-used right of veto known as the Luxembourg Compromise.

U.S. reaction was muted. "We have long been aware of the Community's need to reform its Common Agricultural Policy, and anything that moves in that direction is welcomed," a spokeswoman for the U.S. mission to the EC said. She refused to elaborate until the EC plan was studied. A U.S. source said privately,

however, that approval of the farm reform plan would put pressure on Washington to reluctantly ac-But there was discord before the knowledge that the subsidy cuts ink was dry with Italy objecting to were about as far as the EC could part of the deal and French farmers agree to anytime soon, given the

threatening to take to the streets in difficulty in achieving the reduc-

The ambitious reform program whose cornerstone is direct payments to farmers in exchange for sharp cuts in price supports, is ex-pected to provide a friendlier aumosphere for the 108-nation GATT trade talks by reducing the amount of subsidized and price-distorting EC products on world markets.

The 6-year-old Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations has been deadlocked over the bitter dispute on farm subsidies between the Community and the United States. The top EC and U.S. trade officials will meet in Washington next week, and Community officials say re-form of its farm program creates

pressure for the United States to make concessions in its opposition to remaining EC support practices. Trade talks aside, it has long been clear that the Community could no longer afford its costly Common Agricultural Policy, which has encouraged over-pro-

duction for decades. Currently, payments to EC farmers increase See EC, Page 6

Main Points

Of the Plan International Herald Intrare BRUSSELS — Among the key points of the farm-reform plan adopted Thursday by EC agriculture ministers are:

 A 29 percent reduction in subsidized grain prices over a three-year period ending with the 1995-96 marketing year.

subsidized beef prices over the same period, and a substantial cut in the total tonnage of beef eligible for EC subsidies.

 A 5 percent reduction in subsidized butter prices over the three-year period.

• Direct payments to farmers to compensate for the sub-sidy reductions, provided that the farmers take 15 percent of their land out of production.

G-7 Billions to Patch Up East's Reactors

By Paul Lewis

New York Times Service VIENNA — The leaders of the Group of Seven major industrial democracies are expected to endorse a multibillion-dollar plan for improving the safety of nuclear reactors in the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe at their economic summit meeting in Munich

in early July.

The plan, which is being prepared with advice from officials at the International Atomic Energy Agency here, would provide for refitting of some reactors with more modern safety features, the closing down of those considered too unsafe to be worth saving and

tricity, including supplies from Western Europe, according to diplomats and agency offi-

Estimates of the cost of such a program. which is designed to prevent another nuclear catastrophe like the one in Chernobyl, vary from \$10 billion to \$20 billion.

The idea is to find this money over several years from several sources, including direct government grants, guaranteed government loans and loans from such development institutions as the World Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the European Community's European

Germany's environment minister, Klaus

Topler, said last month that the cost of such an assistance program would be around \$9 billion. The United States has told the International Atomic Energy Agency that it might cost from \$11 billion to \$20 billion.

"At present it looks 90 percent certain the Munich summit will back the program, and we hope this agency will provide its secretariat in partnership with the Brussels Commission of the European Community," said Morris Rosen, assistant deputy director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency and head of its nuclear safety division.

The Group of Seven — the United States. See REACTORS, Page 6

Perot's No-Strings Candidacy May Jolt Parties to Self-Defense

By E.J. Dionne Jr. Washington Post Service

decline of political parties, this may be the campaign when all of the anti-party trends come together and when carrying a party label may truly become more

Ross Peros, the utterly free agent who can bank-roll himself, could prove that the candidate who is unfettered by commitments and loyalties is perfectly suited for an electorate that is increasingly disconnected from political institutions, wary of their effectiveness and impatient with their disciplines.

But scholars and politicians say that by raising such doubts about the health of the political system, Mr. Perot, who is running as an independent, could also force the two major parties to do something they that task is for Democrats. From early morning until after midnight, witnesses representing almost every imaginable point of view offered their suggestions about what the Democrats should stand for.

The tasks before President George Bush are, if

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have not done for many years: argue that parties actually are essential to the workings of democracy. Before they get to that, though, the parties have to

deal with their own internal troubles.

The platform committee hearings in Cleveland this week showed in microcosm just how complex

also force the two major parties to do something they about what the Democrats should stand for.

But hammering out a platform that everyone can agree on is only a minor part of the challenge facing Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas, the putative Democratic nominee. He will also have to deal with Republican efforts to tie him to the sins, both real and imagined, of the Democratic-led Congress. And after the Los Angeles riots, he must negotiate his way between such Democrats as Jesse L. Jackson and Governor Mario M. Cuomo of New York, who

anything, more daunting. He must, for example, contend with trying to get an urban aid package enacted when most House Republicans have rebelled against it. The president also faces a possible revolt at his convention against the party's official opposition to abortion.

Mr. Perot, who has never held public office, faces no such problems. He is free to decide exactly what See PARTIES, Page 6

Serbs Free **Thousands** Of Hostages

By Chuck Sudetic New York Times Service

BELGRADE - Serbian gunmen allowed thousands of refugee women, children and elderly persons to leave Saraievo on Thursday after the government of Bosnia-Herzegovina agreed to supply food to besieged Yugoslav Army bar-

racks in the Bosnian capital.

The refugees left the Sarajevo suburb of Ilidza on Thursday afternoon in a column of vehicles, estimated by officials to be more than nine kilometers (six miles) long, headed for the Croatian port of

The hostage incident began two days ago when, despite written guarantees of safe passage from Serbian leaders in Bosnia-Herzegovina, masked Serbian guerrillas halted the refugees and demanded the return of Serbian war dead and the lifting of blockades of Yugoslav Army barracks in the city by ethnically mixed forces loyal to the Sara-

jevo government. In the end, the Serbian military commander, General Ratko Mladic, demanded only the delivery of food to the Saraievo barracks, officials and Western diplomats said.

Units of the United Nations peacekeeping force headquartered in Sarajevo escorted the refugee column, which officials said contained 5,000 to 7,000 people, out of Hidza, Western diplomats said.

"We expect it all to end tonight," said Stjepan Kljuic, a Croat member of Bosnia-Herzegovina's rump presidency. "We accepted the de-mand. When you have 7,000 parents pressuring you, there is little

Mr. Kljuic said General Mladic, See BOSNIA, Page 2

Asia's Bumpy Road to Liberty ${\it Thai \, Unrest \, Fits \, Regional \, Pattern \, of \, Upheaval}$

By Nicholas D. Kristof

BANGKOK - The turmoil in Thailand is about politics, but more fundamentally it is rooted in demo-graphic, economic and social changes of the same kind that have caused unrest elsewhere in Asia and that are

most likely to continue to do so through the 1990s.

Ever since 1986, when "people power" street demonstrations overthrew Ferdinand E. Marcos in the Philippines, demands for political liberalization have raced through Asia. South Korea, Taiwan, Bangladesh and Mongolia have all enjoyed successful democracy movements and substantial change, while similar movements in Burma and China buffeted the regimes but were eventually crushed.

In Hong Kong and now Thailand, the tussic for denucracy is underway, but it is too early to predict a

One measure of the potential for instability in the region is that the three most populous countries in East Asia — China, with 1.1 billion people; Indonesia, with 180 million, and Vietnam, with 70 million — still have not fully faced the uncertainties and sometimes violence of political transition that tore apart

"This is the middle class out here." Charawit Suki-hame, a 44-year-old architect, said this week as he joined a crowd in Bangkok protesting before army troops with submachine guns. "That's the important thing - the middle class is on the streets." Asia has enjoyed the highest economic growth rates

in the world in recent decades, and a result has been a surge in the numbers of politically impatient and self-confident professionals like Mr. Charnwit. Probably nowhere in the world, at any time, has the middle class

grown so rapidly as in Asia in the last dozen years. These newly assertive business owners, government employees, professionals and university students have

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been distressed by the gap between economic growth and political development, and often by the corrup-tion and nepotism that to many citizens are as aggra-vating as repression itself. Efforts to catch up politically have led to clashes like the ones early this week in ngkok that left at least 40 people dead and hun-In the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, people

took on the system in part because it was not working. But in countries like Thailand, which has enjoyed economic growth rates averaging nearly 10 percent a year since 1986, the process is different. The protests seem to arise from a system that works

very well economically and that then fosters yearnings for political participation: for freedom of expression as well as freedom from hunger, for votes as well as "The Asian system gets to a market economy and a

democracy, even if the leaders don't intend to," said See REGION, Page 7



A woman in Bangkok pulling up her lmsband's shirt to reveal marks that she said came from beatings he received when he was arrested in anti-government protests. The man and several thousand others were released Thursday as part of the compromise to end the crisis.

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Commons Approves EC Treaty
LONDON (AFP) — The British parliament approved the Maastricht treaty on European Community union on Thursday, by a vote of 336 to 92.

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, opening the second day of the two-day debate Thursday, warned that anti-EC members of the governing Conservative Party would "strike a savage blow" against the government if they defeated the treaty. The Conservatives responded by voting massively in favor of the treaty, while members of Parliament from the opposition Labor Party largely abstained. Members from the centrist Liberal Demo-

crat Party mainly voted for the treaty.

Prenier, a legendary restaurant, reopens in Paris. Patricia Wells Page 11.





In U.S., Ex-Soviet PhDs Learn the ABCs of Job-Hunting By Deborah Sontag in "the American mentality."

New York Times Service NEW YORK - One by one, the émigré scientists — specialists in ichthyology, pisciculture, biomineralization and more - rose to pre-

"I am Bril," the first man began. "I come here two months ago from Then the next: "My major is

fracture mechanics. I have 20 publications in international journals." And a graying engineer: "I was a supervisor. I have 30 certificates. Now, sadiy, I am rather old." It was a touching exercise, but awkward. Dozens of scientists and together for a postdoctoral lesson thank-you notes and the buddy sys-

Their goal, more bluntly: jobs. It had been but a few months since most of them had arrived from Russia and Belarus, but the eager students had already found their way to this crash course in capitalism offered by an Americanborn astrophysicist and career counselor, Stephen Rosen.

Their capitalist re-education, which will take 12 sessions at no charge, began early this month. With the ready humility of immigrants, these dozens of Ph.D.s from Leningrad University, Moscow State and the Steklov Mathematiengineers, many of them stars in cal Institute arrived prepared to for immigrants, like driving a taxi-the former Soviet Union, had come study someopts like eye contact, cab. Why watch a meter tick when

"I know about eye contact you have to maintain it - but I have bad knowledge in many areas," said Vladimir Faynberg of Kiev. "For instance, must you really wear only a blue suit to a job interview or is brown acceptable?"

Mr. Faynberg may well be a physicist specializing in the nondestructive testing of semiconductors, but that and 50 cents, he has learned, will get him a cup of coffee in America.

Neither he nor the others have any desire to take a typical first job con chip? So, referred by refugee-rescule-

ment agencies, former capitalism found their way to this workshop. It is a hazing they are willing to endure, considering that many are

already suffering what they hope will be a temporary indignity of depending on public assistance. Mr. Rosen estimated that more

than 4,000 scientists had migrated to the United States from the former Soviet Union in the last two years. His nonprofit program, which is supported by grants and

you could be tinkering with a sili- and his avocation, helping Jewish mechanics at Polytechnic Universi-Standing before a hand-lettered

sign that said, "Either Network or a No Work," Mr. Rosen, whose now Belarus, gave the emigres their "The job that you have to do is to But I didn't give up."

persuade or convince an American employer that you can bring in more money than they pay you. In exploitation. In the U.S., this is called capitalism."

Mr. Rosen introduced a success at the right time." story, Alexander Salman, a oncenervous geophysicist from Mosdonations, grew from a marriage of cow, who, after participating in the his vocation in career counseling workshop, landed a position in soil

ty in Brooklyn. Mr. Salman offered a testimoni-

students and Russian-language No Work," Mr. Rosen, whose "I came over a year and a half newspapers, the emigres have grandparents came from what is ago," he said. "I figured out it's rather impossible to find a job here in my field, earthquake prediction.

"We must learn small things for example, keep smiling," he continued. "How to feel yourself comthe Soviet Union, this was called fortable when not comfortable. You must start making telephone calls. You must be in the right place

> Mr. Salman, after placing himself in the right place at the right See EMIGRES, Page 6



Europeans Waver On How to Help Balkan Refugees

By Brenda Fowler New York Times Service

failed to come up with a firm plan on Thursday to ease the refugee crisis in Croatia, Bosnia and Yugoslavia, which they described as the worst refugee catastrophe in Enrope since World War II.

An official from the Muslim Aid Society who represented Bosnia at the meeting lizet Aganovic, said another meeting on refugees would be held in early June in Zagreb.

He said Arab nations, which may be willing to take in Muslim refugoes, would be invited, as well as European officials

Croatia's vice president, Mate Granic, said after the meeting on Thursday that although little concrete financial aid was promised, he was glad that European govern-ments had recognized the need for action.

He said Croatia was sheltering

Vote Hitches

Kurd Result

SALAH AD DIN, Iraq - The

results of elections in northern Iraq

were delayed on Thursday, and

Kurdish leaders consulted with in-

dependent authorities on whether

Croatian refugees as well as more than 235,000 refugees from the eth-VIENNA — European officials nic fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina, which has declared its independence from Yugoslavia.

Austria officials said there were more than 1.2 million refugees in the entire territory of the prebreakup Yugoslavia.

"We need additional help in food, hygiene, medical help and money," Mr. Granic said, adding that it was costing the Croatian government \$50 million a month to shelter the refugees.

Although the 14 European governments and organizations represented at the conference, including the European Community, acknowledged that Croatia and Slovenia had reached the limit of their resources, few offered firm aid. Italy pledged \$7 million to Croatia and promised to take up to 12,000 refugees. Austria has pledged about \$3 million in aid.

Austria's interior minister, Franz Loschnak, said all countries had agreed that it was important to help the refugees on "the spot where they were."

Austria, Germany and Switzerand, who have seen record numbers of asylum-seekers cross their borders in recent years, have made no secret of their desire to avoid seeing refugees from the Balkan fighting arrive. Germany requires a visa for refu-

gees from Bosnia-Herzegovina. Austria now has more than 2,500 refugees from Bosnia-Herzegov and 100 more are arriving each day,

Mr. Löschnak said. Mr. Granic noted that if the fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina continued, from 125,000 to 250,000 more people could be expected to leave their homes in the next few

Thousands Freed

(Continued from page 1)

who took over command of Serbi-

an forces in Bosma-Herzegovina

last week, had threatened to de-

stroy Sarajevo unless the Yugoslav

Army barracks in the city were

freed and the military personnel in

them were allowed to leave with all

Serbian forces have blockaded

and bombarded the Bosnian capi-

tal for weeks, and the city's ethni-

cally mixed population of about 560,000 is running short of food

Leaders of the Yugoslav Army

and the Bosnia-Herzegovina gov-erument agreed earlier that the troops inside the besieged barracks-would leave last Tuesday with only

"General Mladic is not listening

to the commanders of the Yngoslav Army any more," Mr. Kljuic said,

adding that new negotiations on

to be held in Sarajevo with a Yugo-

slav Army general on Friday.

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German Printers Halt Publications

FRANKFURT (Rentess) - West German painting concerns contin-PRANKFUK! (Remest) — West Cerman printing concerns continued to be hit by token strates on Thursday, preventing some newspapers from being published and forcing others to print reduced editions.

The printers union is staging the stoppages to try to put pressure on employers to raise their offer of a 3.3 percent wage increase. The employers have said they would pay 5.4 percent this year if the union agrees to a 3 percent increase for the last time months of 1993, matching a

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Major Kabul Factions Reach Truce

KABUL (Renters)—Guernille peace-brokers said Thursday that they had assembled an agreement between the two major waning factions whose battle for Kabul last month threatened to plante Alghanistin into

After a meeting of guerriliz commanders, Islamic scholars and tribal ciders in Kabul's former royal summer palace, a guerriliz leader, Jahahat im Haqqami, said Defense Minister Abuned Shah Masoud and his may Gulbuddin Hekmastyar, had committee themselves to passe.

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Mr. Hacquin, seen as a mention ingine in the contract, same two men-led "brother forces" and sought a solution as "fellow Afghans and Mosterns." General Rahmannian Safi, Mr. Hacquin's right-hand man-brandished signed statements from the two rivals and scores of other

commanders who he said had given their approval to a five point peace

pact. General Safe said the two warring factions had agreed to "stop at fighting" and to withdraw within one week from their "lighting post-

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The United States said Thursday that China had conducted its largest underground micloar test ever and called

"We understand that about midnight China conducted a very large underground nuclear test," said Richard A. Boucher, a deputy State Department spokesman. "The yield of this test was in the one megation

range," he added. "This appears to be the largest underground test that China has conducted."

The Swedish Defense Research Agency and Norway's Science Obser-

vatory both reported an immunally large underground nuclear explosion in northwestern China's Manjiang Province, where the Chinese have conducted nuclear tests in the past. There was no immediate comment

U.S. Asks China to Forego N-Tests

on Beijing to exercise restraint.

from the Chinese government

contract agreed to earlier this week by the metalworkers union. But the union, which originally sought an 11 percent increase, says it wants a better deal than the metalworkers' package. It also has rejected an an extended contract and wants only a one-year agreement.

Danes Warned on Voting 'No' to EC

COPENHAGEN (Renters) - Denmark warned Thursday that Danes

risked greater unemployment if they voted "no" in the June 2 referendam on the European Community's Meastricht treaty.

Finance Minister Henning Dyrennose said there would be a major shump in foreign investor interest if the Danes rejected European political union in the vote. Polits show "yes" and "no" voters neck-and-neck. "Fear of a possible 'no' in the referendum has already pushed Danish stocks down," he said. "The psychological effect of a 'no' would be serious for Denmark, frightening away foreign investors. Denmark's trade and balance of payments are showing healthy surpluses and inflation is low, but unemployment remains at a record 10.9 percent of

Boat People' Riot at Island Camp

HONG KONG (AFP) - Vietnamese boat refugees noted Thursday on a remote island detention center before Hong Kong police officer, firing 50 to 60 rounds of tear gas, restored order, a police spokesworm

No casualties were reported in the late-sight violence on Tai A Casa Island, but several structures were set on fire, including at least one guard post, the spokeswoman said.

Many officers, including a tactical squad specially trained in act control, were brought in by helicopter and on lamethes. The police had been criticized for an insufficient reaction to violence at the Shek Kong ention center in February in which 24 immates died.

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The Weather

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Floods in 17 of Iran's 24 provinces killed 42 people, destroyed 7,900 homes and caused \$140 million of damage during the past week, an Iranian official said on Thursday.

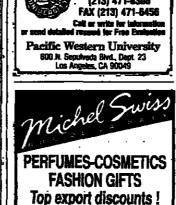
TRAVEL UPDATE

The British Foreign Office lifted its warning Thursday to travelers to avoid nonessential trips to Thailand. "The situation appears to have returned to normal, although a state of emergency remains in force. We now consider it is safe to travel to Thailand," a spokesman said. (AP)

Singapore Airlines had to cancel 10 of its flights to Bangkok over the next few days because of cancellations. Three of the flights were canceled Thursday, four Priday, two Saturday and one Sunday. (AFP)

Pilots of Scandinavian Airlines System called a 24-hour strike for June 1 following the collapse of negotiations between their union and management. The pilots said Timesday that SAS had rejected their offer to freeze pay increases for a year while an initiative group looked into methods of inproving the company's general efficiency.

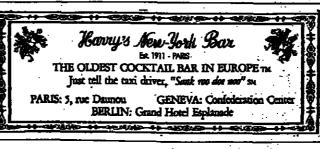
Leaders of the Serb Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina ordered the a regional parliament. mobilization of men between the The two leading candidates for ages of 18 and 60 and women bethe overall leadership, Massoud Barzani and Jalal Talabani, contween the ages of 18 and 55, Belsulted Michael Meadowcroft of the grade radio said. A Belgrade morning newspaper reported that General Mladic, a London-based Electoral Reform Society on Thursday to discuss the ngoslav Army officer who commanded a corps during the seven-month war in Croatia, demanded All parties agree that the voting was not perfect, and sources have said that the smaller parties might that Serb leaders in Bosnia-Herzegovina order the mobilization. drop complaints in exchange for Bosnia-Herzegovina's 1.4 milplaces in a new executive. lion Serbs oppose the republic's in-dependence. Their leaders and military forces, backed by the UNIVERSITY DEGREE Yugoslav Army, have carved out about 60 percent of Bosnia and Herzegovina's territory for the Serb The Yugoslav Army, meanwhile, amounced that it had halted with-drawal of its forces from eastern (213) 471-8386 FAX (213) 471-6456 Croatia, charging that Croatian forces there had launched attacks Pacific Western University on Yugoslav Army units. UN officials said, however, that 600 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Dept. 23 Los Angeles, CA 90049 they were confident the army would soon resume its withdraws under its peacekeeping plan. Angola Oil Fields Ablaze The Associated Press



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LUANDA, Angola — Fire fighters controlled a blaze Thursday that raged overnight and halted production at one of Angola's biggest oil fields, in Cabinda Province, state radio reported. Farlier this month, a guerrilla group fighting for independence of Cabinda warned the oil company that it could be a target of attacks.



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A refugee grandmother and her two granddaughters being interviewed in Italy near the Slovenian border on their arrival from Zagreb. more than 255,000 mostly ethnic **CIA Chief Concedes Failure to Predict Soviet Fall** Mr. Gates also acknowledged that the agency's statisti-By Elaine Sciolino cal analysis portrayed a stronger and larger economy than the one that existed in reality. intelligence from 1977 to 1981, complained in an article last year in the journal Foreign Affairs about "revisionist New York Times Service WASHINGTON - Responding to criticism that the "From a personal standpoint," he added, "I would rumblings that the CIA did in fact see the Soviet collapse CIA failed to forecast the collapse of the Soviet system, its emerging after all."
"On this one," Admiral Turner added, "the corporate contend also that our quantitative analysis always considdirector, Robert M. Gates, has conceded shortcomings in erably understated the real burden economically of the the agency's analysis, but defended its overall perforview missed by a mile."

The Senate and House intelligence committees have Soviet military." mance over the years. During his confirmation hearings last fall, Mr. Gates introduced bills calling for sweeping reorganization of the entire intelligence apparatus of the government.

But Mr. Gates, citing hundreds of assessments, brief-In a speech Wednesday to the Foreign Policy Associa-tion in New York, Mr. Gates, the director of central was widely criticized for having promoted a view of an expansionist, invulnerable Soviet Union in more than a intelligence, said that although the agency wrote many dozen speeches and articles between 1986 and 1988, when assessments describing a growing crisis in the Soviet Union, it was not until 1989 that agency analysts began "to think that the entire edifice might well collapse." ings and monographs produced over the last three dehe was a senior CIA official. The agency was also faulted for exaggerating the economic and military strength of the cades, maintained that the CIA had accurately described the weaknesses of the Soviet Union. U.S. Sees Hope in 'Policy Shift' by Burma Junta ma, Mr. Solomon said, still "ranks Kyi, would be a necessary condition for a political settlement."

Holding Up litical prisoners have been released. By Don Oberdorfer Nashington Post Service • The husband of an imprisoned least accountable governments in WASHINGTON - The United Nobel Peace Prize recipient, Daw strations for democracy in 1988, Mr. Solomon said, the United the world." Aung San Sun Kyi, has been per-States contends that recent actions Nevertheless, statements he by the military regime in Burma mitted to visit her. made to the panel held out an unappeared to reflect "an unantici- An agreement has been signed with Bangladesh for the repatriausual degree of hope for change. pated measure of conciliation" tion of more than 235,000 Muslim with its opponents and a "policy He said the military leadership refugees who had fled across the shift" that held promise of more significant and positive change. Burma-Bangladesh border. Congressional testimony by the

In testimony before the House

Foreign Affairs subcommittee on

East Asian and Pacific affairs, Mr.

Solomon said "a great deal remains

to be done before Burma can be

said to have changed its course."

assistant secretary of state for East

Asian and Pacific affairs, Richard

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under General Than Shwe, who re-placed General Saw Maung as chief of state April 23, has "an opportunity to set Burma "on a path of political reconciliation and economic development" through dialogue with the civilian leaders elected in the spring of 1990, but whose election was disregarded.

He gave no indication that the United States was ready to ease its Under questioning Mr. Solo-ressures against that government. mon said the release of the opposi-The military government in Burtion leader, Daw Aung San Suu United States was ready to ease its pressures against that government.

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States initiated — and since has escalated — several measures to bring pressure against the military regime. These include the suspension of all nonhumanitarian assistance, the termination of trade privileges and the institution of an arms embargo.

Washington has seeking to per-suade other nations not to provide arms or aid to Burma, Mr. Solomon said. He said the United States has approached 16 countries on more than 30 occasions to protest particular arms shipments that Washing-

voting irregularities justified a fresh vote in disputed areas. Kurdish officials said the outcome of the elections on Tuesday might not be known for several more days. They had originally said that they expected to announce the

final results on Wednesday eve-ning then on Thursday. The hitch is that several smaller Kurdish parties have complained that in some areas people removed supposedly indelible ink from their fingers and voted again. kind in the rebel-held area, were for

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Will English the world There conducted a ter-The speech, which conserva-fives in the administration were the second of th immpeting as one of its most ar-ficulate statements on social decline, raised another critical issue, the control supposedly exerted over American social values by a SEE W. Secretary and Noway's Scients to the control of the Chief of liberal, white and upper-class interal, with and upper-case population. Conservatives have long argued that those who work on Marison Avenue and in Hollywood share a liberal ideology and impart a message of sexual larity that filters down to the rinters Halt Publication population at large.

After starting a national debate by stacking the television character, Vice President Quayle charged shead with another condemnation.

WASHINGTON —It is never

dear what will touch a nerve in

olitics. This time the fury was

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speech, a passing sentence aimed at authing more than a television

Vice President Dan Quayle's int at the TV show "Murphy Broam" unleasted a zany and al-

most surreal reaction: from radio

talk shows to the White House,

people read a variety of meanings into the remarks, Women's

groups saw it as an attack on angle mothers, while others saw it as a farfetched attempt to place

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"Hollywood thinks it's cute to

glamorize illegitimacy," he told reporters during a tour of Los Angeles. "Hollywood doesn't get it." He stack to his contention

that the show glorifies unwed-motherbood but insisted that he was not attacking single mothers. Mr. Quayle's earlier comments

left official Washington, particu-larly Republican Washington,

strugging to make policy out of a situation comedy plot. Although more than 38 million

Americans watched Monday night's episode in which Murphy

Brown became a mother, some in Washington had to be told the

story line of this season: The pop-

marriage to the lather, her ex-instand, is out of the question. She decides to rear the baby her-

self. Neither President George Bush nor Mr. Quayle, their aides said, watches the program, and both were hairful on it before

The president eventually of-

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Candice Bergen, as the TV journalist Murphy Brown with her newborn baby. ular broadcaster played by Can-dice Bergen becomes pregnant, rejects abortion and decides that

Does the vice president know that the president's daughter is a single mother?' asked one Republican woman.

aloud whether he had not used the wrong symbol to make what they called a good speech on fam-

"Does the vice president know careful not to criticize single that the president's daughter is a mothers." I have the greatest re-

Quayle's remarks at worst as an publican woman. Mr. Bush's attack on single mothers, at best daughter. Dorothy, is divorced as an impolitic use of a popular and raising two young children. star to make a point. Even the She is to remarry this summer. vice president's friends wondered Said another: "How dare he suggest that all these women struggling to raise children can't do it without a man?"

Mr. Quayle said he had been single mother?" asked one Re- spect for single parents, especial-

ly single-parent mothers," he told a group of students. They are true heroes and inspirations, going against the tides."

One senior White House official said: "Someone here just asked me if this was a grand strategy to firm up our conservative base. If it was a grand strategy, I didn't know about it, but if it works, yes, it was a grand strate-gy."

4 Blacks **Plead Not** Guilty in L.A. Case

By Seth Mydans New York Times Service

LOS ANGELES - A judge set bail on Thursday for four black men who pleaded not guilty in the televised beating and robbing of a white truck driver that has become a symbol of the Los Angeles riots, After the four, in chains and

prison uniforms, entered pleas of not guilty, Municipal Court Judge William Chidsey Jr. said he did not believe that they presented a threat of violence if released.

"We'll post bail," said the mother of Damian Williams, 19, who faces life in prison for attempted murder, torture, aggravated may-hem and second-degree robbery.
"We're just upset by this double standard. They didn't give the four policemen bail. They didn't even arrest them." Her reference was to the case

that gave rise to the riots in which her son is accused, the acquittal on April 29 of four white police offi cers charged with assault in the videotaped beating of a black man. Rodney G. King.
One of the four officers, Laur-

ence M. Powell, faces a new trial on a charge of using excessive force on which the jury could not reach a verdict.

Prosecutors argued Thursday

that bail should be denied to the four men, whom they accused of helping to touch off the riots by beating Reginald Denny, a white truck driver, just hours after the King case verdict was announced. The county coroner, meanwhile,

announced that the body of an unidentified man had been found in e ruins of a burned building, bring-ing the death toll in the riots to 60. Bail of \$195,000 was set for Mr. Williams, and his mother, Georgina Williams, a nurse, said her house and those of relatives could be offered as collateral.

Bail was set for Henry Watson, 27, at \$185,000 and for Antoine Miller, 20, at \$160,000. In another courtroom, however, a judge or-dered Mr. Watson held without bail for violating probation in a 1990 conviction for grand theft and carrying a concealed weapon.

The fourth defendant, Gary Williams, who is not related to Damian Williams, is accused of picking Mr. Denny's pocket and is charged with robbery. His bail was set at \$50,000.

The charges against all of the defendants include an allegation that they are gang members, which could increase their sentences if they are convicted.

Death Row Drama, Final Act Worldwide Publicity Drive Fails to Save Rapist-Killer

By John F. Harris

Washington Past Service JARRATT, Virginia — Roger Keith Coleman was executed in Virginia's electric chair after failing on his final day to persuade either Governor L. Douglas Wilder or the U.S. Supreme Court that he should

The former coal miner, 33, who was found guilty a decade ago of the rape and murder of his sisterin-law, saw his final strands of hope snap in rapid succession during his last hours, despite international publicity that raise questions

about his guilt.

Mr. Coleman failed a polygraph
test that had been arranged by the
governor Wednesday. A few hours

magazine cover story last week
well as in a nonstop procession
television interviews, which he
governor Wednesday. A few hours later, the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals declined a request to stay morning to a state police branch in

the execution and order a hearing suburban Richmond for the lie-de for what Mr. Coleman's lawyers said was new evidence in the 1981

death of Wanda McCoy, 19. The Supreme Court's denial of a stay of execution, on a vote of 7 to 2, was not announced until 10:59 P.M. Wednesday, one minute be-

fore the scheduled execution. That ended a drama that put Mr. Coleman, Governor Wilder and the reliability of Virginia's judicial system on a national stage in recent days. Supported by a corps of ar-dent defenders, Mr. Coleman declared his innocence in a Time magazine cover story last week, as well as in a nonstop procession of television interviews, which have

"Tve never heard him so ex-hausted." Mr. McCloskey said. "He could hardly speak."

him by telephone at 1 P.M.

Mr. Coleman, he said, had been so busy giving interviews and con-templating his fate that he had slept only 10 hours in his last three

tector test, Mr. Coleman traveled

back to the prison to spend his final

hours alone with his girlfriend,

Sharon Paul, whom he met after

they began corresponding several

The Reverend Jim McCloskey,

who has conducted an investiga

tion trying to prove Mr. Coleman

did not rape and murder Wanda

McCoy in 1981, said he spoke to

years ago.

A Constitutional Conundrum on Pay

After a secret trip Wednesday

By Bill McAllister

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Congress bowed to President James Madison's wishes and acknowledged in a become part of the Constitution.

House and Senate were passing res- not try to reject any increase, beolutions that some lawyers de- cause President Madison's amendscribed as pointless, questions were ment "prevents Congress from

ment would bar Congress from securing the automatic pay increases that were part of a 1989 law.

A Duke University law professor and constitutional law specialist, pair of extraordinary votes that his Walter Dellinger, said the Madison 202-year-old prohibition on mid-amendment "locks in" the midterm term congressional pay raises had cost-of-living adjustments voted three years ago as part of the Ethics But even as members of the in Government Act. Congress canbeing raised about whether the varying its own pay up, down or newly proclaimed 27th Amend-sideways," Mr. Dellinger said.

ate declared Wednesday by wide margins that the amendment had become effective May 7 with its ratification by the Michigan legis-

Several constitutional authorities had said the congressional action was unnecessary, but sponsors said the votes were critical, because they would erase any doubts about the validity of the 24-word amendment. Such doubts have arisen be cause it took two centuries for the

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TAL Annual General Meeting of June 2, 1992

The shareholders of TOTAL are invited to attend the General Meetings to be held on Tuesday, 2 June 1992, at CNIT La Défense, Goethe Amphitheater, 2 Place de la Défense, 92053 Paris La Défense, France. The Annual General Meeting will commence at 10.30 a.m. and will be followed by an Extraordinary General Meeting.

The AGM will deal principally with the approval of the 1991 accounts, the determination of dividend, the appointment of statutory auditors and the appointment of two Directors. The EGM will deal with decisions concerning the renewal of certain authorizations given to the Board of Directors at previous meetings to increase the Company's long-term capital, which either expire in June 1992 or are no longer appropriate due to the change in the number of shares making up the Company's capital stock and an amendment of the Bylaws, as a result of application to the assignment of State-held shares of the principles and provisions applicable to the assignment of subscription rights by the French State and approval of letters of interpretation exchanged with the French State. All shareholders are entitled to participate in these General Meetings, whatever the number of shares held, or to be represented at the Meeting by

another shareholder or an officer of the Meeting, or by their spouse, or to cast postal votes. Forms of proxy and postal voting forms, together with entry cards, may be obtained on request from Banque PARIBAS. Service des Assemblées,

3 Rue d'Antin 75002 Paris, France. The duly completed forms must be returned to Banque PARIBAS, Service des Assemblées, no later than May 27, 1992.

The following press releases have been issued on May 15, 1992 by TOTAL on the one hand and by the French Government on the other hand:

1. Amendments to the bylatos of TOTAL in relation to the planned decrease of the French State Participation

The French Government has announced its decision to reduce to 15% the participation of 34% controlled by the State in the public company TOTAL through the sale of stock on the financial markets.

The legal analysis of the 1924 and 1930 Conventions between TOTAL and the French State has concluded that although there is no obstacle to a sale to parties other than French State related shareholders, it is nevertheless appropriate to modify the Bylaws in order to specify the terms and conditions of implementation.

The updating of Bylaws is contained in a proposed resolution which has been approved by a Board of Directors' meeting on May 15, 1992 and which will be submitted at the June 2, 1992 Extraordinary General Meeting.

The Board of TOTAL has agreed in principle to an exchange of TOTAL petroleum certificates issued by the State for TOTAL shares.

2. Press release issued by the French Government on May 15, 1992

"The French Government has decided to reduce to 15% the participations directly and indirectly controlled by the State in the public company TOTAL, down from the present level of 34%. The French State will retain a direct participation of 5%.

This significant decrease of the French State ownership is justified by changes in the oil industry environment. This is today substantially different from the environment prevailing in the 1920's, when the French State took a significant stake in TOTAL's share capital. There exist today in France two major oil companies with strong worldwide activities, one

State-controlled and the other one not. The reduction of the French State participation in TOTAL will be achieved through the sale of stock on the financial markets at a date to be decided later, according to stock market conditions.

In this perspective, the Board of TOTAL, at the request of the Directors representing the French State, has decided to propose an amendment to the Bylaws of the company at the Extraordinary General Meeting on June 2, 1992, with a view to permit the sale of shares held by the French State to private investors.

Further to this sale, the French State will relinquish its 5% supplemental voting rights to which it is entitled under the terms of the 1924 and 1930 Conventions between TOTAL and the French State.

The provisions of the present Conventions will be adapted to this new situation within the scope of French energy policy.

The French State has also decided to proceed with an exchange of the TOTAL petroleum certificates (certificats pétroliers) issued by the State, for TOTAL shares, with a ratio of 4 petroleum certificates to 3 shares. This exchange which will concern approximately 7% of TOTAL's share capital, will be realized after the amendment of the company Bylaws by the Extraordinary General Meeting. It will be implemented through a public exchange offer following French Stock Exchange regulations. The Board of TOTAL has given its agreement in principle to this transaction.

The above actions will preserve TOTAL's contribution to French energy independence and security of supply, while favouring TOTAL's development and its industrial growth."



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In Ireland, Fresh Thoughts on Abortion

By James F. Clarity

New York Times Service GREYSTONES, Ireland - In 1983, Maureen Casey and most of her friends, wives of professional men in this sesside town 18 miles south of Dublin, favored the constitutional amendment that was supposed to be a comprehensive ban on abortion in this predominantly Roman Catholic country.

The women felt that abortion was sinful and followed the church's urging for a "yes" vote, as did two-thirds of the country.

But abortion is again the center of an impassioned national debate a Supreme Court decision apand, like an increasing number of Irishwomen of all ages, Mrs. Casey and her friends, now about 50 years old and mothers of four or five travel to Britain for an abortion by children each, are being introspective again.

Many women of Greystones, a suburban town ideologically between the conservatism of rural areas and the liberalism of Dublin, reject groups calling either for a categorical han on abortion as murder or for abortion on demand

as an inherent female right.
The new debate among Irishwomen involves a changing attitude toward the traditional Catholic prohibition not only of abortion but also of contraception and di-

Recent polls show that most Irish now favor some form of legal divorce, limited abortion and freedom to travel abroad for abortions and receive printed abortion information here.

"There is a big change in Ire-land," Mrs. Casey said. "Priests

For Smokers,

Dark Forecast

"Particularly in the bedroom." said her neighbor. Mary Killeen, in a recent afternoon discussion at the Casev home.

In Dublin, Frances Fitzgerald, head of the Council for the Status of Women, a middle-of-the-road amalgam of women's organiza-tions, said: "We've come a long way since 1983. I voted against it, but my mother was for it. Now she sees the need for flexibility."

The abortion issue rose again to haunt the nation in February when peared to open new grounds for legal abortion. The court overruled a government order forbidding a 14-year-old girl who said she had been raped. Opponents of abortion are calling for a new, ironclad constitutional amendment to ban abortion in all situations.

On the other side of the issue,

abortion information in this country and the right to travel abroad, which was not guaranteed by the court decision. The liberals note that 4,000 Irishwomen a year go to

Britain for abortions. The debate has become entangled in the referendum on June 18 on the Treaty on European Union, which has an abortion protocol that could bring changes in Irish

The government is gambling that the abortion dispute will not bring about defeat of the treaty, which it strongly favors, and has promised to deal with the question of legal abortions in a referendum and with new legislation in November.

The debate is taking place in a country of 3.5 million where, more so than in most of Europe, women stay in the home as childbearers. The birth rate is declining, but is still the highest in Europe. Only 30 percent of married Irish women liberals want at least to make sure have jobs outside the home, but the

Irish Keep Out U.K. Daily Over Ad

DUBLIN — A London daily, The Guardian, was withheld from sale by its distributor in Ireland on Thursday because of a full-page advertisement that contravenes the country's ban on publicizing abortion services.

A spokesman for the company Eason & Son said it had decided to hold Thursday's edition in a warehouse after 2,000 copies arrived at the Dublin airport.

The advertisement placed by the Marie Stopes Health Clinics, listed the telephone numbers of seven of its abortion centers in Britain. The clinics and Peter Preston, editor of The Guardian, said the advertisement was not meant to test Irish opinion on abortion.

don't have the influence they used that women are free to receive number is rising as the economy

falters. In recent years, despite Catholic teaching, married couples are using contraceptives. At the same time out-of-wedlock births have risen from one in 60 births about 10 years ago to one in 10 today.

"We're all pro-life," Mrs. Casey said, "but there have to be exceptions. It's not opening the floodgates like England or America. We have a different culture here.

Mrs. Killeen said: "It's wrons for me, but why should I legislate for anybody else, who may be des-perate? Half of these women wouldn't go if they had proper information and counseling. If they weren't so lonely."

The women, all regular churchgoers, said the priests had not been haranguing them on abortion from the pulpit. "I definitely think the church has lost it on contraception, on divorce, on abortion," Mrs. Ca-

Mrs. Fitzgerald, 41, who has a degree in social work from the London School of Economics, is considered too liberal by the conservatives and too conservative by the liberals. "I'm pro-life," she said. "I have three boys."

The Irish families are changing, she said, using contraceptives, which are readily available to adults, but are illegal for sale to people younger than 18. She said she was a churchgoing

Catholic, and added, "I don't think the church has changed." "But women's attitudes are changing," she said. "We are demanding more from our church."

Defense Minister Moshe Arens of the Likud party taking some target practice while he campaigned in the occupied West Bank.

Rabin, at 70, Is Poised for Comeback

By Clyde Haberman New York Times Service

TEL AVIV - "Israel Is Waiting for Rabin," campaign posters plastered across the country say, and for the benefit of the eight or nine Israelia who may not yet get the point, they show a photograph of Yitzhak Rabin at his no-nonsense best.

The slogan alludes to an old tune called

"Nasser Is Waiting for Rabin."

It was from 1967, just before the lightning conflict popularly known here as the Six Day War, when Mr. Rabin was chief of staff of the Israeli armed forces and the songwriters were describing whimsically but prophetically, how President Gamal Abdel Nasser and his Egyptian Army were about to have their

lights punched out. The idea behind the new posters, put up by the opposition Labor Party, is to evoke a golden moment for Mr. Rabin and Israel.

There is, however, another point as well, aimed squarely at vacillating voters who may be weary of the last 15 years of Likud party governments but who feel skittish about swinging all the way over to Labor in national elections next month.

To them, the message is unstated but clear: Forget about Labor. Vote for Rabin.

In his party office here on Wednesday, Mr. Rabin, Labor's leader for the last three months, spoke almost wistfully about how he wished Israelis could choose their prime minister through direct elections. He seemed to be suggesting that there was little chance of his losing in such a race against Prime Minister Yitzbak Shamir of Likud.

There will be such direct elections the next go-around. But in this election, on June 23, Israelis will vote as they always have, for a party. It could have been different, Mr. Ra-bin said, but Likud "torpedoed" a plan for immediate change.

"Likud was afraid to put Shamir again me —or any other candidates that they could produce," he said. So Labor, he explained, has resorted to a campaign strategy that puts unusually strong emphasis on him personally as well as on party policies.

"It is a combination of the who and the

what," he said.

Two months past one's 70th birthday is not the time when most men think about a grand comeback, but if Israeli opinion polls are to be believed, Mr. Rabin has reason to hope he just might return to the office of prime minister that he held in the mid-1970s.

There are no guarantees, of course. Israeli moods are volatile, the country's coalition politics are complex and the tendency at the moment of truth to vote the way one always has is strong. Nonetheless, Labor seems for now to be attracting once die-hard "Likudniks" wanting change,

Many of these people say they feel confident that in Mr. Rabin, who as defense minister cracked down hard on the nascent Palestinian uprising five years ago, they have a man who will not be a pushover for the

For his part, Mr. Rabin says that he will be strong on issues of peace and security.

But he insists that he will be more flexible than Mr. Shamir in the continuing peace talks with the Palestinians and neighboring Arab countries. Without being specific, he says he will reduce what he calls unnecessary "politi-cal" settlements in Israeli-occupied territo-

He is also ready, he adds, to negotiate a return of some land to Arab control, but not areas like the Golan Heights and parts of the West Bank that he considers vital to Israel's

Within a year of taking office, Mr. Rabia says, he hopes to hammer out an agreement

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Mr. Rabin has held just about every post
that counts in Israel: chief of staff from 1964 to 1968, ambassador to the United States from 1968 to 1973, prime minister from 1974 to 1977. He fell from the top office under a cloud of scandal, only to return to the govern-ment as defense minister from 1984 to 1990.

Looking back Wednesday on his days as national leader, he recalled important decisions made at a time when Israel was still recling from the shock of having been caught flat-facted by the attacking Egyptian Army in the 1973 war. Military preparedness was improved, he says, and interim agreements on troop deployment were reached with Egypt.

But others remember that Mr. Rabin, a

career soldier and newly minted as a politician, had no sense of how to cope with Israel's endless domestic squabbling. Some Israeli commentators say it also does

not help Mr. Rabin that he lands — just like Mr. Shamir — on the low end of the charisma He hit a low point in 1977 when, on the eve

of national elections, he resigned as prime minister after he and his wife, Leah, were discovered to have kept illegal bank accounts

Mr. Rabin's comeback got rolling in February when he narrowly defeated his long-time rival, the incumbent Labor leader. Shimon Peres, in the first party primary held in Israel. Now Likud is clearly worried that he might win the general election. On occasion, Mr. Rabin must also deal

with accusations that he suffered a breakdown just before the 1967 war, based on the fact that he fell suddenly from public view for

As for the supposed breakdown, he said, "I believe wars have to be judged by results."

LONDON - More than one-fifth of the industrialized world's population will die from the effects of smoking, according to a study published this week in the Lancet medical journal.

According to the report, the risk of death from lung cancer and other diseases as a result of smoking tobacco is much greater than previously believed. It said that of a total industrialized world population of 1.25 billion people, about 250 million — equivalent to the population of the United States - would die from smoking

The forecast, based on a study of 1 million people, was made by Britain's Imperial Cancer Research Fund, the Geneva-based World Health Organization and the American Cancer Society.

Weinberger Passes Polygraph Test

By Walter Pincus and George Lardner Jr.

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Former Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger on Thursday released the results of a polygraph test he passed this month after he became

concerned that he might be indict-

ed in the Iran-contra affair. Mr. Weinberger took the polygraph as part of his attorney's effort to convince special prosecutors that he took no part in a cover-up to protect President Ronald Rea-

His lawyer, Robert S. Bennett, also took the unusual step of obtaining a letter from the chairman and the vice chairman of the Senate Iran-contra investigating committee saying they were not bothered by Mr. Weinberger's inability to recall a disputed 1985 arms shipment to Iran through Israel.

"It is inconceivable to us" that Mr. Weinberger "would intention-ally mislead or lie to Congress,"

Rudman, Republican of New Hampshire, said in a letter April 29 to Mr. Bennett.

Prosecutors for the special prosecutor in the affair, Lawrence E. Walsh, stepped up their investiga-tion of Mr. Weinberger after learning the contents of notes that he routinely jotted down about daily meetings and telephone calls. The notes suggested to them that Mr. Weinbergr knew more than he acknowledged during committee testimony and in his deposition.

Mr. Walsh is pressing the former defense secretary to provide evi-dence that he believes would implicate Mr. Reagan. Prosecutors have notified Mr. Weinberger that they have a strong case of obstruction of justice against him, but Mr. Walsh has delayed any grand jury action in hopes that Mr. Weinberger will cooperate.

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Senators Daniel K. Inouye, Demo- 1987 investigations, but they were crat of Hawaii, and Warren B. never produced. According to sources, one of the notes suggested that Mr. Weinberger knew more about Mr. Reagan's knowledge of the shipment than the defense secretary disclosed to Congress.

Mr. Bennett arranged for a poly-graph May 5. One of the five questions on the examination was, During your June 1987 deposition, did you deliberately he to the House Select Committee counsel about the existence of your diary notes?" Two other questions were, "Did

you ever intentionally withhold diary notes from any governmental entity? Did you knowingly engage in a cover-up with senior adminis-tration officials in the fall of 1986 or in 1987 regarding Ronald Reagan's participation in the Iran-contra matter? Mr. Weinberger answered "no"

n hopes that Mr. Weinberger will to all three questions. The polycooperate.

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Red Cross Warns Israel on Detainees The Associated Press va, Itzhak Lior, and Cornelio tention conditions and limit the GENEVA — The International

Committee of the Red Cross urged dent. Israel on Thursday to stop what the organization called "ill-treatment"

Israel of using "physical and psy-chological pressure" to pry confessions and information from detainees in the occupied territories, violating the Geneva convention on the protection of civilians in

mes of conflict. Confessions obtained under luress, moreover, preclude any fair trial," the Red Cross said.

Sommaruga, the Red Cross presi-time detainees spend in interroga-

Israel has allowed the Red Cross Israel's position — that security for years to interview Arab prison-needs may justify use of moderate

Cross had given many detailed reports to the Israeli government and officials "to no avail."

The organization said it had urged Israeli authorities "to pro-hibit all forms of ill-treatment, including insults and threats, to forbid interrogations by co-detainees

The rare public criticism fol- and the exertion of pressure to inowed a meeting Wednesday be-duce detainees to collaborate." It also told Israel to improve de-

third day of hostilities, The Associated Press reported from Basileek. Lebanon. It was Israel's eighth air strike into Lebanon this year. The mili-

neva convention's rules against "physical or moral coercion" in oc-

curried areas, the Red Cross said.

Israel on Thursday mounted its

deepest air raid into Lebanon this

■ Jets Hit Hezbollah Base

tary command in Israel confirmed that its air force struck a Hezbollah base in the Bekaa, but gave no The authorities said 6 guerrillas

were killed and 18 wounded at the base near Janta, 120 kilometers (75 miles) north of the Israeli border and five kilometers west of the Syr-

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Mr. Alfred DAOUD.

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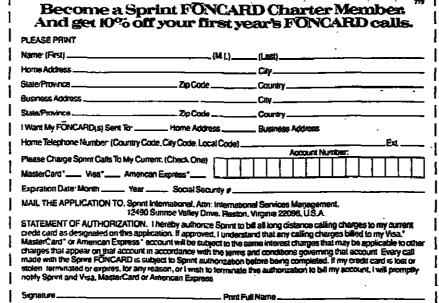
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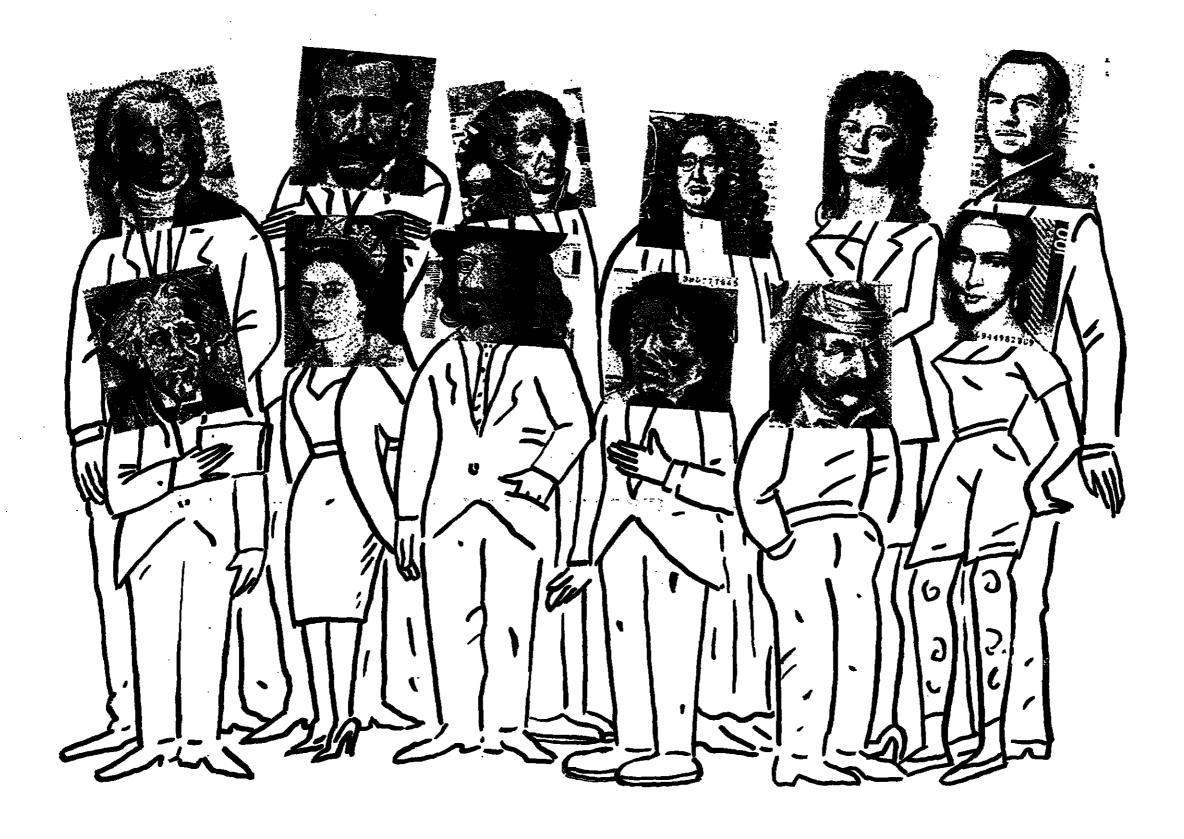
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Russian Parliament Rules '54 Transfer Of Crimea Invalid

By Fred Hian

Mashington Pon Service MOSCOW — The Russian legis-MOSCOW — The Russian legis-lature declared Thursday that the edged that fighting there had in-1954 transfer of Crimea to Ukraine - creased the risk that Turkey would inflame already tense relations be- janis, who are Muslims ethnically tween the two Slavic giants of the

former Soviet Union. The legislature simultaneously affirmed that it has no territorial designs on Ukraine, its neighbor. But the annulling of the gift of Crimea, along with the parliament's insistence that Russia be involved in future talks on the Ukraine, the Russian deputy conflict. speaker, Sergei Filatov, acknowl-

Russian deputies, acting behind and Prime Minister Suleyman De-closed doors, approved the resolu-tion on Company and 1264 tion on Crimea by a vote of 136 to 18, with 20 abstentions, according to parliamentary spokesmen. The matter was scheduled for final con-

sideration Friday. Crimea belonged to Russia from the late 18th century, when Catherine the Great's soldiers captured it from the Crimean Tatars, until 1954, when President Nikita S. Khrushschev handed it to Ukraine. When Russia and Ukraine were two basically powerless entities within the Soviet Union, the transfer seemed to have little more than ceremonial significance.

But since the disintegration of the Soviet Union in December, tensions between Russia, with its 150 million people, and Ukraine, with its population of 51 million, have emerged as potentially the most dangerous in a region beset by upheaval. And conflict over the Crimea, an area blessed with temperate climate, beautiful seashore and valuable ports, lies at the heart of their dispute. A majority of its 2.5 million people are ethnic Russians.

President Leonid M. Kravchuk of Ukraine, speaking to a Washingion Post correspondent before the outcome of the Russian debate was known said his country would "certainly respond" if Russia declared Ukrainian sovereignty over reiterated his belief that the root of the tension between the countries is in Russia's unwillingness to accept Ukraine as an independent nation.

"We want friendly relations with Russia," Mr. Kravchuk said, "But Russia considers us to be its vassal. and as its vassal we are expected to submit and to agree."

The Russian action came as Crimea and Ukraine themselves took measures to defuse tensions that escalated earlier this month when the Crimean parliament declared state sovereignty and scheduled a referendum for August on independence from Ukraine.

The Crimean parliament decided to cancel that earlier declaration. saying state sovereignty had already been "realized" in its constitution. Consideration of the referendum was postponed until June 10. pending further negotiations

In other parts of the Soviet Union, however, tension continued to run high. Russia's defense minister. Pavel Grachev, and a presidential adviser. Gennadi Burbulis, traveled to Yerevan in Armenia to show support for the republic, which is embroiled in an undeclared war with Azerbaijan. The conflict threatens to involve Turkey -- which would mean that a country of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was pitted against the Commonwealth of Indepen-

The Armenian foreign minister, Raffi Hovannisian, denied at a Moscow press conference Thurs-day night that Armenia had invad-

ed Nakhichevan, an Azerbaijani enclave on the borders of Armenia. was not valid, a move certain to intervene on behalf of the Azerbaiclose to the Turks.

The question of Nakhichevan has been used quite effectively by Azerbaijan and Turkey," he said. to provide a pretext for potential. and now even threatened, intervention into the region."

He added: "Any intervention

into Nakhichevan would bring the Black Sea Peninsula, was "sure to beginning of an all-out conflagracause a painful reaction" in tion and risk leading to a world Both Russia and Turkey said

they were trying to avoid conflict. cow on Monday for talks with President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia.



Crimeans urging independence in Simpleropol as Russia's parliament ruled Crimea's 1954 transfer to Ukraine was illegal.

EC: Community Agrees to Trim Agriculture Subsidies to Reach Accord on World Trade

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EC

form plan is a 29 percent cut in with crop size, regardless of world demand.

As a result, the EC's huge sur-Farmers would be compensated for tions as butter mountains and wine most of their price reductions with direct payments, provided they

The 1992 budget for the Com-mon Agricultural Policy is 36 billion European currency units that produce food cheaply say the (\$46.3 billion) or 56 percent of the total Community budget. Because world markets by negating their of the new direct payments system, the reform package is not expected

A key issue in next week's talks in Washington between the EC trade commissioner, France Andriessen, and the U.S. trade repre- can interests," Agence-France evening and night, Reuters reportsentative, Carla A. Hills, will be the Presse reported, It expressed "full and atter con-

treatment of direct income payments under the GATT rules. demnation" of the EC decision, which it said "will lead to develop-The United States insists the ment, on one hand, of industrialpayments, while less objectionable than export refunds, should still be type farming, and on the other to greater poverty and marginaliza-tion of the farm world." regarded as price-distorting subsidies under multilateral rules gov-It said the shift had been approved by Jacques Delors, the erning world trade. A compromise under discussion would shield most of the payments from GATT's

Frenchman who is president of the

An FNSEA spokeswoman said there would be "tough protests" throughout the country during the

German farmers also were quick to condemn the accord. The German Farmer's Association (DBV) said the farm policy reform would cause drastic price cuts in grain and other crops.

The association condemned "this total system change," it said in a statement. "It is wrong and EC Commission, and Agriculture fateful. The negotiators in Brussels Minister Louis Mermaz of France have obviously not considered the "in absolute contradiction to their and result. "Structural collapses in entire regions can be expected.

REACTORS: G-7 May Aid East industrialized countries, is cape. cially eager for contracts to in-grade East Europe's reactors. But Germany's nuclear industry has Canada, Britain, France, Germany, italy and Japan — first expressed concern about the safety of maclear been hit as well by that country's reactors in East Europe and the

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But although this led to several

to Eastern countries to make their

reactors safer, officials at the atom-

ic energy agency said the aid was

uncoordinated, duplicative and far

less effective than the program they

expect to be approved at the Mu-

Just how specific a commitment

power industry safer is uncertain.

ber of the House Appropriations

Committee, said he believed the

regarding their unsafe reactors."

Officials of the atomic energy

agency said such a program for the

former Communist world's unclear

power industry would also be at-

tractive for American and Europe-

an nuclear companies, which are

starved for new orders because of

environmental opposition to nucle-

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ecological movement. Soviet Union at their 1989 Paris Speaking in Budapest lastmeeting, three years after the Chernobyl disaster. month, the head of the European Bank for Reconstruction and De. Last year, at their London meetvelopment. Jacques Attali, said the ing they urged Western countries international community should to help raise safety standards in the mobilize itself in order not only to former Communist world. After finance the closing of the most danthat appeal, the so-called Group of gerous auciear power plants, but 24, a body set up by all Western industrialized countries to coordialso to bring together the human and technological resources needed ... to rehabilitate that portion of the nate aid to the former Communist world, created a special working stock of nuclear power plants: group to examine the nuclear safety which can be brought up to a sansproblem in cooperation with the factory safety level." Commission of the European Com-

He said the bank would be ready to take part in lending operations up to some \$4 billion for this pur-Western governments offering help

Germany and France are leading the drive for such a cumpan warming that another nuclear disaster like one at Chernobyl would deal a devastating blow to public confidence in nuclear power around the world and further cripple the West's nuclear industry.

the Group of Seven Countries will give to make the East's nuclear "We must protect Western nu-clear investment by making sure there is no catastrophic accident in In Washington, a congressional expert on nuclear energy woiced support for such a plan. Represen-tative Norman D. Dicks, Democrat of Washington Democrat, a memthe East," Mr. Topfer told the Japan Atomic Industrial Forum in Yokohama in April.

Reactors that cannot be made substantially safer are most likely to be replaced with other fossil fuel power plants, which are far cheaper to build. But Czechoslovakia has Bush administration should do more "to work with the Soviets aiready said it wants to replace its Soviet reactors with safer Western ones if it can find the money.

The territories of the former Soviet Union have 16 large graphite reactors of the kind that exploded at Chernobyl. The atomic energy agency considers the safety of these reactors "a matter of great international concern.

ar power and the fact that the low price of oil and gas makes nuclear-Reactors of the type used at Chernobyl currently provide 47.8: generated electricity relatively expercent of the nuclear-generated electricity in the countries of the France, which has invested more heavily in nuclear power than other former Soviet Union.

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As a result, the EC's huge surpluses - known by such appellalakes - have been stuffed into expensive storehouses or sold at low take 15 percent of their land out of prices on world markets through highly controversial subsidies to EČ producers known as "export refunds." Developing countries refunds freeze them out of price advantages.

The centerpiece of the EC re- to produce savings until 1997.

scope, at least for a transition peri-In Paris, the biggest French

PARTIES: Ross Perot as Catalyst

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unconstrained by — and unresponsive to — any political party. Mr. Perot. the independent, does not ual not responsible to anybody, have to answer for the failures of and therefore he's a metaphor for Crimea invalid. Mr. Kravchuk also any presidents. And he cannot be the whole system." pigeon-holed ideologically. As a repigeon-holed ideologically. As a result, he may be able to run as a kind nications and policy for the Demo-

have worked to put his name on able to govern.

November ballots. This disparate

For Mr. Ste

And if Mr. Perot's account of about specific issues. "The volun-teers said, 'We're not interested in sit down with House and Senate detailed positions," Mr. Perot re-ported on the "Today" television agreement on a program to put to

teers will be able to get him on virtually all state ballots is another sign of the declining importance of parties. Partly because of litigation in 1980 by John Anderson's indendent presidential campaign and by the Libertarian Party, it is easier for third-party presidential candi-dates to qualify for state ballots. This discounts the value of fighting through primaries to win a major

In the meantime, state party or-ganizations mean less further down the ballot, too, as even major party candidates develop their own independent organizations and essentially elect themselves. "Perot is the

ultimate extension of that," said Alan Ehrenhalt, the author of "The he will and will not tell the voters. United States of Ambition" and

of candidate on whom voters can cratic National Committee, acproject their own hopes, wishes and knowledged that party identification "becomes less impor-The only "constituency" Mr. tant" now, but added that Mr. Per-Perot has to answer to immediately ot's advantage could fade as voters is made up of the volunteers who began to wonder whether he will be

For Mr. Steitz, Mr. Clinton's group appears united only by a ability to win a series of primaries desire to see Mr. Perot offer the and broker peace in his own party country some strong leadership — could be seen as an asset by voters "Ross for Boss" read their T-shirts who know that coalition-building is - and to shake up the two major essential to achieving the changes they are seeking through Mr. Perot.

Mr. Cuomo says Mr. Clinton what his supporters say is accurate, could go a step further. During a they are not all that concerned visit to Washington on Wednesday, show. "Everybody has detailed positions. Nobody implements saying, "We can govern, and we can do it right now," Mr. Cuomo said.

The fact that Mr. Perot's volunwould be a "unique demonstration of potential efficacy that would separate Mr. Clinton from Mr. Bush and Mr. Perot.

Terry Eastland, a conservative and the author of "Energy in the Executive," a book on the presidency that will be published in August, said Mr. Perot's success in rising to the top of the polls while taking few specific positions reflects a long-term trend in U.S. politics for candidates to believe that "you can do certain things to get elected and then close the door on that and govern however you want." Voters may be accustomed to that by now, he said, but they do not necessarily

"The fact that Perot is not mediating his ideas through anybody raises another question," Mr. East-land added. "How will he do in a system of separated powers?"

If Mr. Perot remains a factor through the fall, Mr. Eastland pre-dicted, it is a question that Mr. Bush and Mr. Clinton will pose with increasing urgency. That could force a debate about the fundamentals of the American system that voters have not heard for a

EMIGRES: No Capitalist Fools

(Continued from page 1) time, discovered — right in Brook-lyn — a project that could benefit from his knowledge of seismology. He is studying the vibrations from a highway that are affecting historic town houses nearby.

Spouting aphorisms and jokes,
Mr. Rosen, offered his dos and

don'ts of looking for work in Amer-

Don't send out resumes random-ly, rely on classified advertise-ments, wait for the phone to ring,

U.S. Ends JetTest To N.Y.'s Chagrin

New York Times Service

MINEOLA, New York - The Federal Aviation Administration has abruptly called off a noise-reduction experiment that had diverted hundreds of low-flying aircraft from parks and working-class neighborhoods in the city to affluent suburbs on Long Island, local officials said.

City officials said the experiment, an effort to bring quiet to the courts at the U.S. Open tennis tournament in Queens, was their best hope to cut the noise over neighborhoods that had been suffering

"This is a matter of rich and parently far more sensitive to a handful of wealthy people who live miles from La Guardia Airport than it is to hundreds of thousands of working middle-class people hurry," Mr. Faynberg recounted. who live adjacent and near to one "It was a very unhappy occurof the world's busiest airports."

arrive late or depressed for job interviews, smoke, photocopy cover letters or wear wrinkled brown

"Class, is it O.K. to drink vodka during an interview lunch?" Mr. Rosen asked. There was a pause. "Maybe a little?" a chemist ven-

Do be succinct, ask your interviewer questions — "Don't let it become a KGB interview," Mr. Rosen said — search the Scientific Citation index for those who have cited your research, call people in your field and engage them in shoptalk And get a haircut.

Mr. Rosen nodded at another workshop graduate, Gregory Pelts, who has secured a research position in the high-energy physics depart-ment at Rockefeller University.

"Notice that Gregory does not wear a tie and jacket and has long hair," Mr. Rosen said. "He fought with me. He said Einstein never wore a tie. Well, you're not Einsteins, not in the United States." Mr. Peits, however unkempt, was

an exemplary networker. "I just called up Rockefeller University, and said, Good day, may I speak with someone working in string theory?" " he explained.

Russian-style bluntness can. however, prove clunky. Mr. Faynberg offered an example. He had gone for a chat, not exactly a job interview, but an opportunity nonetheless, at a laboratory in New poor, you are damn right," said Jersey. The topic was semistate Claire Shulman, the Queens bor-ough president. The FAA is ap-terviewer ventured an opinion, to which Mr. Faynberg responded,

"You are wrong." "His jaw dropped, and he looked at his watch and said, I'm in a

Moscow Plans Arts Festival

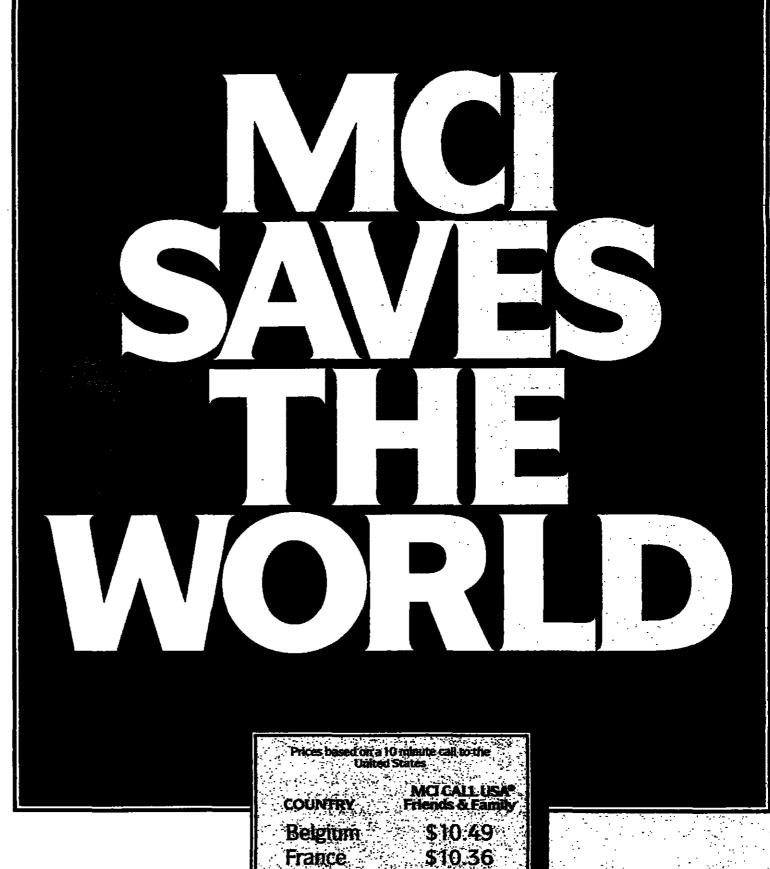
The Associated Press MOSCOW — Red Square, once a symbol of Soviet com-

munism, will be the host site for an eight-day festival in July to raise money for the arts and try to attract foreign capitalists, according to an orga-

The singer José Carreras and soloists from the Bolshoi Ballet and the New York City Ballet are scheduled to perform at the government-spon-sored "Red Square Invites" festival, Omari Sokhadze said.

"The concert is commercial. but the results will be charitable as they will go toward the development of Russian cul-ture." Mr. Shokhadze said. He said another goal is to attract foreign investment.

The festival on July 4-11 is expected to attract 500,000 Russian and foreigner visitors, Mr. Sokhadze said. Half the 12,000 seats and 50,000 of 80,000 promenade space tick-ets will be sold for hard currency, he said, adding that tickets could cost as much as



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as they same an including the state of the s hangs in the balance, as a merican-born king, who has for such a case of the form of the mind of personal power, may find a new political base growing to support him, according to the leading American by making the major of the democracy advorting to the democracy

"All through this period from the late 50s to the present, the royal family and the king in particular has assiduously cultivated relations with many people in society, especially the middle and upper class," Mr. Wyatt said Wednesday. "The best symbolic representation of that is that every university diploma in the country is handed to the

graduate by the king or a member of the family.
"The really interesting and exciting thing about what's going on right now is that that the middle class is finally coming of age," he said. "One of the hopeful signs of the last few weeks is that an amorphous constituency for civilian government is finally beginning to take shape.

"The king has used his power wisely."

Bhumibol, who is 64 and the world's longest-reigning monarch, inherited the throne through a series of tragedies. When he was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on Dec. 5, 1927, his father was a royal prince studying medicine at Harvard, and his mother a Thai commoner

learning nursing.

His father, Prince Mahidol, the founder of modern Thai medicine, was not directly in line to the throne. He died in 1929, while his brother, King Prajadhipok, was ruling what was then Stam as an absolute monarch.

brother, Prince Anand, who was only 10. A regency was installed, and both boys returned to Switzerland to finish

On June 9, 1946, Bhumibol's brother, then a 20-year-old king Anand Mahidol, was found dead with a builet through his head in the palace in Bangkok. The death has never been publicly explained.

In the tumultuous postwar period, when Thailand was extricating itself from the ignominy of having sided with the Axis powers in World War II, King Bhumibol Adulya-dej — the name means "strength of the land, incomparable power" - was formally crowned the ninth in the Chakri dynasty in June 1950. He had recently completed studies in law and political science.

Bhimbol is the great grandson of King Mongkut, the monarch fictionalized in "The King and I," and he resented what he called the "fairy tales" that had grown up around the opulent throne of Siam by the time he became

The king had more serious problems, however. The In 1975, the young king intervened in a political conmittery government under Field Marshal Luang Pibul frontation for the first time, apparently backing a rival to throne.

"When I opened my mouth, they'd say, "Your Majesty, you don't know anything," he recalled. "So I shut my mouth. I know things, but I shut my mouth."

The king adopted a two-track policy that was to serve him and Thailand well. He threw himself into national development, promoting projects as varied as alternate fuel development, water treatment, agricultural research and eventual crop substitution in opium poppy areas.

He also decided on a "middle way" for dealing with his limited powers, he said in the interview. He rejected the role of a do-nothing, ceremonial king and began to make decisions without consulting with the generals and field marshals when he knew he was within his constitutional rights. But he stopped short of overstepping a line of confrontation except on rare occasions, carefully selected.

As the military increasingly sought to use his popularity as a prop—while hiding behind the world's toughest lese-majesté laws to curb dissent—the king built up a reputation for hard work and total dedication to the

the leadership. In 1973 and 1976, during student riots, the king intervened again, the first time backing an early democracy movement and the second time coming down

on the side of a right-wing law-and-order movement. Mr. Wyatt said he believed the 1976 policy could be explained by a fear of Indochinese Communism, which had recently taken hold in Vietnam. Cambodia and Laos and wiped out the Lao royal family. But the rightist policy

proved to be a mistake in the long run, Mr. Wyatt said. because it encouraged conservative military leaders. In 1981, when a group of army colonels tried to overthrow Prime Minister Prem Tinsulationd, the king saved the government with a gesture; he gave refuse to the prime

minister at one of his palaces. The coup collapsed. The reclusive king has by most accounts had a turbulent family life. His wife, Queen Sirikit, has withdrawn from public view from time to time, apparently suffering bouts of depression. Their only son, Crown Prince Vajiralong-korn, is feared by many Thais for his bot temper.

In his development work, the king has found a close companion in his second daughter. Princess Sirindhorn, who appeared on television Wednesday in Bangkok to urge restraint. In 1977, when she was 22, her father named her a crown princess, making her eligible to inherit the

THAIS: Opposition Leader Warns of Renewed Unrest

method with other foods

The control Wednesday night between Mr. Chamlong and General Suchinda to end the bloodshed, since it did not force Mr. Suchinda from office.

As a result of the agreement, which was brokered by King Bhamilo Adulyade, the nation's revered monarch, Mr. Chamlong and several thousand others who had been arrested during the protests

been arrested during the protests were released from custody. On Thursday the streets of Bangkok were peacoful for the first time this week although tense.

Many Thursday the suggested that Mr. Suchinds should be tried for mursuchinds who will be tried for mursuchinds. Such and the tipe and tipe and the tipe and the tipe and the tipe and the tipe and to acrea to an arrend prompt cannot remain in the country be-The country of cause he has killed innocent people," said Janthana Sriboonrod, a 24-year-old student at Ramkhamhaeng University in Bangkok, the nation's largest.

Mr. Chamlong said that he, too, did not like the agreement reached

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Japan's Book Trade

With U.S. Is Lopsided

Japan's ascent to economic

superpower status has not dulled its voracious appetite for Western books. But this trans-

Pacific literary romance re-

mains unrequited, the Los An-

geles Times reports from Tokyo: For every Japanese book translated into English

the Japanese publish 35 to 40

titles from the United States

In 1990, for example, Japan published more than 3,000

books translated from English

But Americans published only

82 titles from Japan, according to Publishers Weekly magazine.

That compares with 321 titles

translated in the United States

from French, 202 from Ger-

man, 145 from Russian and 23

titles from Latin — a dead lan-

Leslie Pockell, editorial di-

rector of Kodansha Interna-

tional, the largest publisher of

Japanese books in English, ob-

served that "Americans are cul-

turally xenophobic." He said

Japan was not alone in being

ignored. He argued that Ameri-

ca was almost as cool to books,

movies and cultural artifacts

from Europe and even the for-

Among the most popular an-

thors in Japan are America's

Sidney Sheldon and Tom

Clancy and Britain's Frederick

Prince Norodom Sibanouk of

Cambodia attended ceremonies

this week at the southwestern

port city of Kompang Som to

Forsythe and Jeffrey Archer.

mer Soviet Union.

Around Asia

Wednesday, although he had agreed to honor it for now, at the for an address to parliament on Monday in which he was to explain

I have to abide by his order, at least for two or three days," he said. the crisis. Mr. Chamlong said he would not be surprised by a repetition of this week's bloodshed, which began Sunday night when That security forces charged a peaceful democra-

If there are more deaths or injuries, Mr. Chamlong said, General Suchinda should be held directly

responsible.
We protest in a peaceful man-"Mr. Chamlong said, wearing usual uniform of a blue peasant's timic, matching pants and thongs. "I don't have the troops, I don't have the guns. I have no pow-

General Suchinda and Mr. Chamlong agreed to try to negoti-ate their differences, with General Suchinda promising to revise the constitution to require the prime minister to be an elected official something the general is not.

News agencies reported from

restore its former name, Sihan-oukville. The city, 300 kilome-

ters (190 miles) southwest of

Phnom Penh, was renamed

Kompong Som after the prince was ousted in a coup in 1970 by

the pro-American general, Lon Noi. Prince Sihanouk returned

to Cambodia in November af-

ter 13 years in exile to lead the

pending general elections in May 1993. Supreme National Council,

Sir Edmund Hillary, the New Zealander who with the Nepa-

lese Sherpa guide Tenzing Nor-gay made the first ascent of Mount Everest in 1953, says

that with gatherings "the size of

a cocktail party" at the world's highest peak, it is "beginning to resemble a junk heap." He was

commenting on the record ar-

five different expeditions. As to

the junk, he conceded: "Our

team contributed to that We

set off to challenge a mountain

mcontaminated by man. And

in the cuphoria of our success.

we dumped our stuff upon its

slopes." Sir Edmund said he had suggested a five-year mora-

torium on Everest "to take away the waste and allow the

mountain to heal the wounds of

over-use." But he said the fi-

nancial benefits to Nepal from

expeditions made that impossi-

Tokyo's Diamond Informa-

tion Center has unveiled a dia-

mond-encrusted mobile tele-

phone. The phone, sparkling with 1,300 diamonds set in 18-

carat gold, is the centerpiece of

a "Diamond Jewelry for Work-

ing Women" promotion in big jewelry and department stores.

The manufacturer, Nakagawa

Jewelry, said it would be happy

to sell the bamble to anyone

with 100 million yen (about

\$770,000) to spare.

rival at the summit last week of

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his government's conduct during The debate on the promised constitutional amendment was to be-gin next Friday. What shape the

General Suchinda was preparing

ndment would take and how

long General Suchinda would re-

tain his post remained nuclear. While the demonstrators did not immediately achieve their objective of General Suchinda's removal, the king's call for democratic reform made it virtually certain that the amendment would be approved, despite potential opposition in the Senate, whose members are appointed by the military. The king holds a largely ceremonial post but his deep veneration by Thais gives

As part of the return to normal, the government on Thursday revoked a 9 P.M.-to-4 A.M. curiew it had imposed the day before. It also withdrew troops from the streets. After a plunge early in the week, the Thai stock market staged a strong rally. Brokers called the re-

him great influence.

action investor emboria over the compromise. But the mood among many

Thais was glum. "Dreams Die: Suchinda to Re-

main PM," read a headline in the newspaper Phoojatkarn, echoing sentiments of many people interviewed following the compromise. Typical of some of the reaction

of the middle classes were the remarks of Somsak Teerapong, a 42year-old businessman who joined in the demonstrations. "We're not satisfied with the outcome, the compromise," he said. "We want Suchinda and his wife to leave Thailand." (AP, Reuters, UPI)

Ramos Is Holding Big Lead as 52% Of Vote Is Tallied

MANILA - Former Defense Minister Fidel V. Ramos appeared headed for the Philippine presidency Thursday with a commanding 777.000-vote lead.

With 52 percent of the 25 million votes counted, Eduardo Coiuangeo, a businessman, was second to Mr. Ramos, leading Miriam D. Santiago, a former judge, by more than 16,600 votes.

Mr. Ramos, who is backed by President Corazon C. Aquino, continued to pace the seven-way race, with 2,963,539 votes. Mr. Cojuangeo, who is one of the country's richest men, had 2,185,789 votes to Mrs. Santiago's 2,169,138, according to the latest unofficial tally by a government-accredited counting center. The election was

held May 11. Mrs. Aquino appealed to Congress to proclaim her successor swiftly amid fears of a constitutional crisis if the elected president is not sworn in before her term ends on June 30. There have been reports of irregularities in the slow counting of votes.

"Let us not frustrate our people's efforts by unnecessary delays in the canvass," Mrs. Aquino said in a Arthur Highee



A protester raising his hands after he was released from detention in Bangkok on Thursday.

REGION: Thailand Takes Asia's Road to Freedom

William H. Overholt, an executive director of Bankers Trust Company in Hong Kong. "Economic success creates a broad middle class and a huge education system, and it creates factories filled with large numbers of educated workers who

form unions. "Economic success also forms ties with the outside world, so that hiberal foreign ideas penetrate," Mr. Overholt added. "These social glaciers break up any dictator-

Statistics in the latest World Bank report, made public this month, underscore the progress in many Asian countries that were desperately poor just a generation or two ago. South Korea is now wealthier per capita than Portugal, and has less than a third its illiteracy. Hong Kong and Singapore are richer than Spain or Ireland, and Hong Kong has a longer life expec-tancy than either the United States or Britain

Other East Asian countries like Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia,

level, have enjoyed per capita economic growth rates in the last 25 years between 4 percent and 4.5 percent, about twice the level of most countries in other regions. The boom continues: Last year, each of those three countries enjoyed real economic growth be-

ween 7 percent and 9 percent.
One result of this prosperity is that it has tended to give people a stake in the system, so that citizens seek to participate in the political order rather than to destroy it. Only the Philippines now has a serious guerrilla revolutionary movement, and even there it is no longer viewed as a fundamental

threat to the state. Still, the linkage between economic growth and political change is far from clear. Ian Scott, chairman of the political science department at the University of Hong Kong, suggests that although rising incomes and educational levels are normally necessary factors for successful democracy movements. they alone are not sufficient. Moreover, Professor Scott notes

although not at the same income that Asian countries have made more headway in establishing democratic governments than in fostering tolerant societies. The result is sometimes authoritarian democracies - governments that are freely elected but that try to intimidate critics and curb freedom of expres-

You have conditions in many countries for democracy - Singapore is a good example - but without the liberal, tolerant environment to go with it," Mr. Scott said.

So far, transitions in East Asia to more representative government have been relatively non-violent. But the bloodiest repression, in China and Burma, was in those countries that have yet to make the

leap to pluralism. China, Indonesia, Vietnam, Burma and North Korea may all face political and generational transitions in the 1990s, and each has a record of violent domestic turmoil in the last 50 years. Some fear that the violence could be repeated if pressures for political change bubble to the surface — and almost

everyone believes that they will,

Lingering Issue: Military Influence

By Michael Richardson

International Herald Tribune
SINGAPORE — Despite the backing of Thailand's widely respected constitutional monarch, King Bhumibol Adulyadej, a com-promise settlement of the violent feud between the armed forces and democracy groups may run afoul of deeply entrenched military interests in Thai politics.

Parliament will meet in Bangkok on Monday to discuss resolution of a conflict that goes beyond the question of the resignation of General Suchinda Kraprayoon, the unelected prime minister, to the issue of military dominance of political power.

Full debate on constitutional reform will begin May 29, according

to parliamentary sources. After a joint audience with the king on Wednesday, General Suchinda said he and Chamlong Srimuang, one of the main opposi-tion leaders, had agreed that differences should be settled peacefully

But Abhisit Vejjajiva, a member of the Democrat Party, said Thursday that although the opposition welcomed the king's inter-

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vention, "there is no guarantee that constitutional amendments will pass without a transitional clause that would allow Suchinda to remain in power.

There was also no sign of remorse from the security forces or the five pro-military parties in the governing coalition for the use of force by the army that caused at least 40 deaths and hundreds of injuries in clashes since Sunday.

Antagonism remains high, and protest leaders have warned that if General Suchinda refuses to step down, demonstrators will mobilize

But even if the prime minister resigns, the issue of military influence on the Thai government will remain, analysts say.

"Suchinda's departure as prime minister would not necessarily lead to a reduced role for the military, in politics," said Surin Maisrikrod, a Thai research fellow at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies in Singapore.

Curbing the power of the military, he added, would be "the most difficult problem" to solve. Active or former generals have filled the prime minister's post for all but 13 years since Thailand ceased to be an absolute monarchy in

General Suchinda led a coup that removed an elected civilian

government in February, 1991, on the grounds that it was corrupt. But many of the politicians and some of the ministers in that government re-emerged in the pro-military coalition that gained a slim majority of seats in parliamentary elections in March.

Until the 1991 coup, the military's traditional hold on power in Thailand was slipping as tensions with Communist countries in Indochina eased and civilian politicians, many of them businessmen. gained influence over the awarding of lucrative contracts and concessions in the booming Thai economy.

A National Assembly appointed by General Suchinda and his colleagues in the junta that staged the coup approved a new constitution in December that was clearly designed to perpetuate military influence in advance of elections.

The constitution allowed an unelected prime minister to head the

It also enabled the junta to appoint a Senate of 270 predominantly military members who can vote with the 360 elected members of the House of Representatives on confidence measures that could oust an

elected administration The opposition, headed by Mr. Chamlong and another former general who also resigned to run for political office, wants both these provisions amended.

Analysts said, however, that Thai military commanders were convinced that their business interests would be vulnerable to takeover if they agreed to surrender political power.

Those interests range from commissions on arms purchases to ogging, mining and fishing concessions, the analysts said.

Even if General Suchinda, who was supreme commander of the armed forces until he became prime minister last month, does agree to resign, his close associates in the military will continue at their

"Essentially, power in Thailand is in the hands of a clique within the armed forces," said Robert Karniol, Asia correspondent for Jane's Defense Weekly.

Michael Leifer, professor of international relations at the London School of Economics and Political Science, said the Thai opposition supported by an increasingly assertive middle class regarded military rule as an anachronism. Mr. Leifer said the political conflict in Thailand "cannot be

resolved until the military come to realize that a country that depends on educated and professional people is one that cannot be ruled by military dictatorship."

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Shame in Our Time

who despise naked aggression.

The Serbian strongman Slobodan Milosevic steps up his brutal bombardment of Bosnia's capital, Sarajevo, and his "ethnic cleansing" of Serbian-occupied territory.

Hundreds die: ancient towns are turned to rubble. And what is the response of the United States, the European Community and the United Nations? Sighs, shrues and evasions. The bully who violates Bosnia-Herzegovina's internationally recognized borders must be confronted by an international coalition prepared to do what is necessary to put him in his place.

Otherwise the brutality in Bosnia-Herzegovina will, far beyond the Balkans, dash hopes for a new world order. This little country has been given a minous runaround. Washington initially called on the European Community to cope with the threat to peace, even as it disparaged EC efforts.

When its mediation efforts collapsed, Europe called for UN peacekeepers. The United Nations was prepared to send them in February, but then Washington protested that \$634 million was too expensive. Another mission to Yugoslavia managed to cut that by \$28 million - cheese-paring that cost weeks, and lives.

In March, the blue helmets finally began arriving in force in Croatia. The United Nations established its headquarters in Sarajevo as a way of creating a presence, as well, in Bosnia. But within weeks UN officials were whining that peacekeepers "are

A "disgrace for humanity." The words routinely harassed, the organization's propintered in Washington by Haris Silajdzic, erry stolen and its emblems and uniforms foreign minister of beleaguered Bosnia-Herzegovina, should chill the hearts of all drawing from the rest of Yugoslavia.

What touching concern for misappropri-ated emblems — even as whole neighborhoods of Bosnians were being forced to flee for their lives. It is true that the UN peacekeepers are too lightly armed to defend

against rampaging Serbs.

But why is that the only alternative? The larger truth is that the UN peacekeepers have become a cover for Western inaction.

Now there is not even the pretense of a UN presence in Bosnia. And the world's collective irresponsibility stands exposed as nakedly as the Milosevic aggression.

George Bush, proud leader of the free world, had no trouble deciding that Iraq's aggression against Kuwait should not stand. He assembled a global coalition to force withdrawal. Why not a new one now? Such a coalition need not undertake armed intervention, at least not yet. The economic noose can be tightened and those who help Serbia circumvent it can be pressured. And if cooperative security is to have meaning, the coalition can declare its will-

ingness to use greater force, as a last resort. Aggression ought to be every bit as despicable in the Balkans as in the Gulf. For the United States and its allies to stand by while Milosevic marauders defile Bosnia-Herzegovina invites bullies elsewhere to take heart. Peace in our time, spineless leaders said in the 1930s. In our time the word is shame.

-- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

The Struggle **More Deficit Murk**

The balanced budget amendments to the Constitution on which the U.S. Congress may soon vote are not balanced budget amendments at all. They are abandonments of majority rule and responsibility whose effect will be a further elevation of congressional minorities - the very splinter groups whose single-mindedness and logrolling influence are said to be the bane of Congress now. The history of many reforms is that they boomerang. And in any case, procedural reform is not a substitute for political will. The effect of these efforts to atone for past political failure is as likely to be an increase in the deficit as it is a decline.

These ill-considered proposals are misnamed. They do not mandate that the budget be balanced; they simply require more votes — typically three-fifths of both houses — to unbalance it. Forty percent plus one in either house can hold the entire government hostage; that is the shift to minority rule. The theory is that the holdouts, whomever they may be in a given year, will use their increased power to keep the deficit down.

But precedent suggests the opposite outcome, that they will use the power to ratchet up the deficit. To assemble the votes for a budget, even more interest groups than now will have to be satisfied. The price of passage will go up, not down. In terms of governance, the peril of failing to include a certain group — of cutting instead of increasing its subsidy — will be

greater, not less. Majorities are cheaper. Nor will the price exacted always be They ought to be shot down. fiscal; to pass a budget, a rider on an issue

having nothing to do with the budget may be required. A limited form of minority rule already exists in the Senate, which tends to pride itself on its accommodative procedures. When have they finally held the deficit down?

It already takes a three-fifths vote in the Senate to break a filibuster. When was the last filibuster against an unbalanced budget? The Constitution already requires a twothirds vote in both houses to override a presidential veto. When was the last time the veto was used to enforce a balanced budget? If George Bush is so in favor of a balanced budget, why doesn't he submit one? Why didn't Ronald Reagan before him, while also urging passage of an amendment?

These balanced budget amendments have not been thought through. (Among other effects, they would squeeze the states that would be called upon to ratify them, but that is another story.) The budget ought to be put on the path toward balance just now, but the way to do that is to increase taxes or cut spending. The amendments would do neither. They carefully postpone both steps while at the same time providing cover for past postponements.

They represent a major change in the constitutional system, whose discipline they are as likely to weaken as to strengthen. The president and Congress abke are using the Constitution for short-term political purposes, as a fig leaf. The country deserves better than that. These amendments are the ultimate expression of the irresponsible governance that they purport to condemn.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

It's Serious, Mr. Quayle

In a way, the New York Daily News headline said it all: "Quayle to Murphy Brown: You Tramp!" The reference, of course, was to the vice president's notable speech in San Francisco Tuesday in which he lectured his andience on the nation's moral fiber. Most attention was caught by Mr. Quayle's denunciation of Murphy Brown, the Candice Bergen character on television, who became an unwed mother on Monday night's installment of the show.

We are not thinking here of his chiding of the "Murphy Brown" program for letting its central character become an unwed mother at a time when other role models are wanted. That theme was hardly original. Nor was the vice president's overall theme - the decline of moral values, the need for discipline, the importance of family in American society - exactly original as a response to the Los Angeles violence or to the terrible condition of life in the inner cities in general. There has been much conversation on this subject.

It is not the preserve of conservatives, in other words; it is not a rare or forbidden subject, and taking it up these days is hardly

a sign of lonely bravery.

It actually is fashionable and common.

and it is fashionable and common among precisely those people who have the high est stake in the reclamation of the country's inner cities. These are people who have worked day in, day out to do something about the condition of life there during the years when concern about such things was really unfashionable in the Bush-Quayle administration. It is preeminently such people who have been pitching the need for a more rigorous insistence on moral values as an instrument to combat the social and cultural disintegration of so

much inner-city life. Nothing funny about that. What is comic. or at least squirm-makingly uncomfortable, is to be lectured on this matter by the vice president. For Dan Quayle to be giving instruction from his cushy perch in this particular administration on how poor people must get their values together and pull themselves up by their bootstraps is, at the least, ironic. Mr. Quayle, whose own ascent into the professional stratosphere has not exactly been an example of hard work rewarded should have a little humility about hitting the bootstrap circuit so hard.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Other Comment

Get Help to Somalia Now

The cease-fire negotiated by the United Nations is holding in Somalia. The tentative peace provides a window for international governments and relief organizations. Now is the time for massive supplies to be flown to the Horn of Africa. A severe drought compounds the starvation. The human suffering is more severe than that in Cambodia, Russia or Yugoslavia. Yet, the world community, including the United States, has not responded with appropriate alarm.

Somalia has no form of government and

no public services. While much of the world ignores this tragedy, Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali is sending a personal envoy to spread the fragile peace and re-store some form of government. The United Nations deserves support for not abandon-ing Somalia. Unicef and the Red Cross have taken the lead, but much more is needed. Where are the superpowers that used to compete to control Somalia because of its

strategic location? In the light of the new geopolitics, children are allowed to starve.

- Los Angeles Times.

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Dark Tales From Gorbachev's Inner Circle

PARIS — Mikhail Gorbachev launched his comeback campaign on a splashy, coast-to-coast visit to America's wealthy, soliciting contributions for his Moscow think tank. (Are they U.S. tax deductible?)

Apart from a few casual cracks about his new capitalist tuxedo, Moscow barely noticed. He has become a nonperson at home, almost as surely as those who were crased from view in the old days. Yet he is clearly running to return to power. Russians say there is not a chance. He has entered history, but a much murkier history than his West-

Yakovlev tells of widespread anti-Semitism, conoardice, toadying and intimidation.

em fans realize, still full of mysterious gaps. Bits and pieces are emerging, and the surprising part is the picture his closest aides give of cold, unreliable personal relations in his inner circle.

Alexander Yakoviev was considered the most intimate, the man who, along with Eduard Shevardnadze, secretly worked out plans for reform meant to renew the Communist regime and the Soviet Union when the chance came, and who was at Mr. Gorbachev's side during most of his days in power. Hear him now as he recounts scenes of the Politburo:

"They all believed this democracy idea was a Jewish conspiracy. Nobody in the Polithuro stood up against this anti-Semitism, nobody. They called me a Jew, they sent a mission to my home village to find out about my family. They attacked me all the time.

We were talking in Vienna, over dinner after a conference. I said, but of course Mr. Gorbachev

In Thailand

Goes Deeper

By Charles Keyes

SEATTLE — The trouble in Bangkok goes beyond a struggle in the streets for power between pro-

democracy demonstrators and the

At a deeper level the conflict over

the future of the political system involves a collision between differ-

ent philosophies about how power

It is occurring after a period of significant evolution toward de-

mocracy at a time when the long-

dominant military wants to reassert

its eroding preeminence over demo-

One side believes that power

should rest with the military and

the bureaucratic elite. The other be-

lieves that it should be shared by the

expanding middle class and the new commercial and financial elite, as

well as by those in nongovernmental

organizations, which in the '80s emerged as influential proponents

of environmentalism, human rights

The struggle is epitomized by two

men, the unelected and disliked

prime minister. Suchinda Kra-

prayoon, and the popular former

elected governor of Bangkok,

of the revered constitutional mon-

arch, King Bhumibol Adulyadej,

to bring moral pressure to bear to

Mr. Suchinda and Mr. Chamlong

Later the two leaders promised to

cooperate to resolve the crisis

This suggests that, since Mr. Su-chinda freed Mr. Chamlong (and his

followers) from detention in order

to deal with him, the democratic

forces may have a gleam of hope.

The political base of Mr. Su-

chinda, a former army commander in chief who resigned in April to

take the top government office, rests

entirely in the military.

through constitutional reform.

were seen on television Wednesday kneeling before the king as he asked

them to end the fighting.

The crisis demonstrates the ability

and social-welfare concerns.

Chamlong Srimuang.

end the violence.

military and police forces.

should be distributed.

cratic interests.

By Flora Lewis

stood up for you. He squared his shoulders and spoke harshly. "No, never, not once. Shevard-nadze and I criticized the policy at times, but the others only toadied. No, I wouldn't say I was his closest friend, you never knew to whom he would listen. He was unpredictable, you never knew what he would do.

Then why did Mr. Yakovlev stick by Mr. Gorba-chev, almost to the end, defending him. "I didn't defend him," he replied, "but the ideas." In December 1990, Mr. Shevardnadze left his

post as foreign minister, warning of plots against Mr. Gorbachev and against reform, Mr. Yakovlev publicly warned of a putsch a few days before it happened. But he said he had written warning letters to Mr. Gorbachev three times before that, the first in March 1991. The leader ignored them.

Early on Aug. 19, 1991, Mr. Yakoviev saw KGB cars waiting outside his building. He called Boris Yeltsin, and special police were sent to order them away. When the coup collapsed, Mr. Yeltsin asked Mr. Yakovlev to go to Mr. Gorbachev in the Crimea and bring him back. "I refused. I said he is also guilty. The plotters thought he was with them, that he would accept a fait accompli."

There were still many questions about just what happened. Mr. Yakovlev said he was always taped and sometimes watched by the KGB, and that when Mr. Gorbachev, Mr. Yeltsin and the Kazakhstan leader, Nursultan Nazarbayev, met in a dacha outside Moscow to draft a new union treaty for the Soviet republics, which finally triggered the putsch, Vladimir Kryuchkov, the KGB chief, immediately knew all their conversation. Either Mr. Gorbachev himself was bugged, or someone present had reported fully.

Asked what really started the fight between

Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Yeltsin, who strongly supported reform, Mr. Yakoviev said that it began at a Polithuro meeting chaired by the conservative Mr. Ligachev in Mr. Gorbachev's absence.

There was an argument about whether to allow a public demonstration in Moscow. Mr. Yeltsin,

then first secretary of the Moscow party, said he had decided to permit a rally in Ismailyov Park, far from the center, as he had been instructed at the last meeting.

Mr. Ligachev was furious and denied it. He asked accusingly if anybody remembered. "They were all terrified of Ligachev. Nobody stood. I stood and said why not? It's a good idea. Yeltsin said 'Ah. so you do remember.' I said no, I hadn't been at that meeting. But after that, Yeltsin. never amacked me." In the speech Mr. Yeltsin later made criticizing

Mr. Gorbachev for not reforming enough, which led to his ouster from the Politburo and his decision to run for president of Russia, he also attacked Mr. Gorbachev's wife, Raisa, Mr. Yakoviev said. "Gorbachev never forgave that. The speech has never been published. It won't be, because Yeltsin spoke in a subsequent meeting and apologized, taking it all back."

There is bitterness, but more important an in-

sight into the petty fends, the disarray, the reality gap of the Gorbachev years in Mr. Yakoviev's words. He says, "Gorbachev is a democrat, but he is afraid of democracy. Yeltsin is not a democrat, but he is not afraid. There is no way Gorbachev can regain power, but if he did it would be a disaster. He has no policy."

These peeks inside the Krembin matter if the

West, still intoxicated with Gorbymania, is to understand Moscow and what may be expected. Help yes, but don't rely on our mythology. The Russians know better.

O Flora Lewis.

A Huge Bill, **And Awful** Pain Ahead

By Hobart Rowen

WASHINGTON - The West W has yet to face up to the reality of the bill it must pay to keep the former Soviet Union from blowing up and disgorging debris over Europe and the rest of the world.

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With much fanfare, the Bush administration, Western Europe and the international financial institutions have cobbled together a \$24 billion aid package for Russia, just for this year. But according to sober assessments at the International Monetary Fund, this is just the tip of the iceberg. The 14 other former So-viet republics, according to Michel Canndessus, the IMF's managing di-rector, will need an additional \$20 billion — again, for a single year.
Officials at the IMF and the World

Bank indicate that over the next three or four years the total bill will reach \$100 billion to \$200 billion. This help will include cancellation of some debt.

The rest will represent expanded international agency commitments, new private investment, and loans or gifts by individual governments, notably Japan, Germany and the United States. These deficit-conscious Western countries have not been ea-ger to pass on the full measure of the bad news to tax-conscious voters,

overwhelmed by domestic problems. Russia and the other ex-Sovier states have been touted as offering a great opportunity for foreign investment capital — a raw region where big bucks can be made, as in the old West of the United States.

Russian economist who made the case in Washington recently for aid to his country, acknowledged many problems, but called attention to the great possibilities" as well. He ven-tured that with cooperation from the West, it was even possible to hope for economic growth this year and agai. Others take a more restrained view. The World Bank president, Lewis Preston, cantions: The one place

Russia and the other ex-Soviet republics, like Eastern Europe earlier. are caught in a no-man's land be tween the old command economy and the private market. Mr. Summers calls it a case of "enterprise limbo," in which those in charge of "companies" set up under the old command system do not yet have incentives to move toward the market. "Small wonder that wages skyrocket, overmanning continues and

Bank's top Russian expert, thinks that it will take at least a decade to establish a market economy in Russia, where no such thing existed before, and that "it is going to be associ-

Eastern Europe, where conditions were better than in the former Soviet Union, "I have not seen any one of step without putting at least 10 per-

The need for reforms has produced "a tremendous backlash" and "real hostility" among the people, according to Senator Bill Bradley, a longme observer of the former Soviet Unión, just back from a 10-day tour of cities in Russia. He says food

plants is an enormous problem, Mr. Bradley pointed out. In St. Penssburg. 70 percent of the people have jobs directly tied to the military. We've got a slight conversion prob-lem here, but it's nothing compared to theirs. Nationwide, its over 50 per-

cent of the people."

To sum up: The cost of financing economic reforms in the former Soviet states will be larger than anyone has forecast, and the difficulties of accomplishing the transition to a market economy are almost too diffi-

practice changed.

THE 1990s will be the decade of immigration. Already in 1990, the foreign-born population stood at approximately 18 million, exceeding the previous high mark of 14 million reached in 1930. This record number will be amply surpassed in the coming decade.

The social and economic impact of this movement will be large. Cities such as Los Angeles, Houston and Miami will repeat the experiences of New York and Boston at the turn of the century, when half or more of the local population was foreign-born. In cities like Baltimore and Philadelphia, where the immigrant flow during the 1970s and 1980s was dominated by a few thousand empercuential Koreans, other groups will make their appearance.

The administration and the Congress both believe that the effect of this massive wave will be benign. In signing the 1990 immigration act into law, President George Bush declared that it would be "good for families, good for business, good for crime fighting and good for America."

But the presence of large foreign populations inevitably produces cultural strains and conflicts with the native-born. Domestic minorities, in particular, may suffer the greatest impact as immigrants elbow them aside in the low-wage labor market and dilute their political power.

Alejandro Portes, professor of sociology and international relations at Johns Hopkins University, writing in The Baltimore Sun.



A U.S. Hammer Blow to the Hopes of the Haitians

high. The killing, wounding and im-

prisonment of many in the opposi-

tion have alienated many who play

key roles in the expanding economy. Some wealthy Thais might decide

to invest their capital outside the

country; some might find the in-creased costs of bribing the military and bureaucratic elite too high to

The intimidation this week of

nongovernmental organizations'

staffs will also alienate many whose

powerful influence in primarily ru-

ral Thailand results from population

control, health care and community

development programs they have carried out there.

In this capacity they have become spokesmen for the countryside in

For progress to be made in talks

And when the Yale law students

The department asked the federal

courts to impose sanctions on the

plaintiffs' lawyers - Professor Har-

old Hong." Koh of Yale and Michael Ramer of the Center for Constitu-tional Rights — for bringing a "frivo-lous" lawsuit. It demanded that the

plaintiffs put up a bond of \$10 mil-

lion, the largest bond ever sought in the New York federal courts.

The case was heard by Judge Ster-ling Johnson Jr. of the Eastern District

of New York, who was appointed by

President George Bush. He fixed a bond of \$5,000. And he decided the

case in favor of the refugees, ordering the government to let the Yale stu-

dents interview them and, meanwhile,

not to send any back to Haiti.

sued for the right to meet the refu-gees, the Justice Department re-

sponded with a sledgehammer.

addressing power in Bangkok.

start new ventures.

BOSTON — On one side in the lawsnit is the United States government, represented by the Justice Department. On the other is a group of Haitian refugees held at the U.S. base in Guantánamo, Cuba, represented by some Yale law students, their professor and other volunteers.

One might think that the government would be content with those odds — with its great advantages in power, money and legal resources. Not so. The Justice Department has

brought heavy pressure on the volun-teer lawyers, evidently trying to intimidate them out of the case. It has made extreme, hysterical arguments with no visible basis in fact. In its conduct in this case - this

amazing case — the department has grossly abused its position. Why? What is going on?

The plaintiffs, who fled the brutal Haitian military regime in small boats and were picked up by the U.S. Navy, are in a special category. All of them have been screened by the Im-

migration and Naturalization Service and found to have a "credible fear" of political persecution in Haiti. By the government's own official finding, then, they are likely candidates for political asylum in the United States, not just people looking for a better economic life.

He masterminded the junta that

overthrew the democratically elect-

ed government in February 1991, and then orchestrated the writing of

a new constitution that ensured the

Mr. Chamlong developed a strong political base in Bangkok, evidenced

His appeal lies in his Buddhist

Early this year he resigned as governor to lead his political party in the parliamentary election held March 22. After those elections,

which resulted in a coalition govern-

ment, he emerged as leader of the

opposition, demanding that Mr. Suchinda resign. Although the military can impose

its will, the cost of preserving its dominance will be extraordinarily

asceticism and incorruptibility.

military's dominance.

in two landslide elections.

The only issue in the lawsuit is whether the refugees can talk to a lawyer before a final determination of their asylum claim. The Yale law students want to go to Guantánamo, at their own expense, to question and advise them. The government strenuously objects.

Just three months ago the Justice Department told the Supreme Court that, "under current practice," Haitian refugees who pass the first screening would be "brought to the United States ... for a full adjudicatory determination" of their asylum claim. That meant a hearing with a lawyer. But the

Before an appeal could be heard, the Justice Department rushed to the Supreme Court and asked for an emergency stay of Judge Johnson's order. It claimed that the order had "fueled a What a Decade of Immigration Means nearly 20-fold increase in the number of Haitian migrants attempting to enter the United States illegally."

What was the basis for that extraordinary claim? All the Justice Department offered was an unsupported statement by a State Department official that in her "considered judgment," Judge Johnson's order had "contributed in significant part to the increased outflow of Haitians."

The Supreme Court voted 5-4 to issue a stay. The case is now before the 2d Circuit Court of Appeals. A lawsuit that the trial judge decided and in the plaintiffs' favor could hard-

ly be "frivolous" but the Justice Department demand for sanctions on the lawyers is still there.

In its Supreme Court papers the Justice Department relied on the 1950 case of Ellen Knauff, a war

bride who was kept out of the United States as a security risk without being told why. The Supreme Court narrowly upheld that procedure. But the case aroused such outrage that the attorney general changed his mind and let her in.

between the warring sides, the United States should not only publicly

welcome the king's intervention to

resolve the immediate conflict,

it should voice strong support for the demands of the pro-democracy

demonstrators.

And Washington should tell the

Japanese that instead of remaining

aloof and upholding "stability," To-kyo should recognize that its large

financial investments in Thailand

will benefit more from a democratic

society than from one controlled

The writer, director of Southeast Asian studies at the University of Washington, is author of Thailand: Buddiast Kingdom as Modern Nation

State." He contributed this comment

by the military.

The Haitian refugees are asking for much less than Ellen Knauff: just the chance to see a lawyer. But it is worth recalling Justice Robert Jackson's dissent in the Knauff case: "Security is like liberty in that many

are the crimes committed in its name. The menace to the security of this country ... is as nothing compared to the menace to free institutions inherent in procedures of this pattern." The New York Times.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: A 'Friend' Is Jailed NEW YORK - The Herald's Spe-

cial Venezuelan Correspondent cables, via Galveston, that Senor Bermudez, who for years has been one of President Palacio's most intimate friends, wrote to his brother in Enrope, predicting the ultimate success of the Revolutionists. The letter was opened by the postal authorities at Caracas and the contents were made the basis for the order for his imprisconnect, which was carried out when his wife lay a corpse at his home. half an hour before the funeral

1917: Wilson's Choice

WASHINGTON - Pressure is being brought to bear on President Wilson urging the centralization of the war administration through the creation of three new Cabinet posts - namely, a Secretary of Food Administration, a Secretary of Munitions and a Secretary of Transportation. This action is supported by facts which show that the delay which is occurring it putting the Military Service Bill into operation is caused by delay in moletizing the supplies.

1942: Breach in Crimea

MOSCOW - From our New York edition: The strongly fortified Naz defense line gnarding Kharkov. Ukraine steel center, has been breached at one point by a funous forty-minute ouslaught which destroyed a key German stronghold and carried Marshal Semyon M. Tr moshenko's Russian tanks; and troops on six miles into an open baltelield held only by German intanty and scattered pullboxes, "Red Sun," the Russian Army housepaper, asserted. The Soviet madnight communicate said that "our offensive continued of the Kharkov acctor," that the Garage mans had been repulsed in the lzynm-Barvenkova area, eighty miles to the south, and that highing our tinued on the eastern part of the Kerch Pessinguis," in the Crimes.

Yegor Gaidar, the self-assured

where we would get significant for-eign investment is in the petroleum business. Other things will happen, but in dollar terms they'll be relatively insignificant." And even in oil, he points out, "the people who produce oil are quite independent of Mr. Yelt-sin and Mr. Gaidar."

In fact, "zealous reformers have mderestimated the magnitude of the re-form task," as the World Bank's chief economist. Lawrence Summers, wrote in the May-June issue of Economic Insights, published by the Institute for International Economics.

frand is pervasive."
Wilfred Thalwitz, the World ated with tremendous pain."

Mr. Taalwitz points out that in

these economies even making the first cent of all their previously employed out on the street. And that's the major political problem they have to deal with. If they haven't gotten some sort of security net, it will prove politically very difficult to get through this transformation process."

prices have gone up 2,500 percent and wages 400 percent since Jamary.

Conversion of the former military

The Washington Post,

OPINION

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W arrasion of its neighbors, George Bush has ducked under his desk in a way that recalls Benjamin Harrson's 1888 doctrine: We Americans have no By Hobart Rower commission from God to police the world."

Excuses for inaction range from "It's Europe's problem" to "Our vital interests are not involved" to

V SHINGTON The Washington of the agreement of the world of the world of the world of the rect of the world of the rect of the world of The law of the jungle has been repealed: no more barbarism in the name of vengeance.

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Those historic hatreds run so deep, there's nothing

anybody can do."

The unspoken excuse is that in an election year, no American politicism wants to commit American forces Movements at the internal of the state of th to what may be a quagmire. Yet the lack of any threat

of harsh consequences encourages the aggression.

What would the other candidates do to stop the what would are order candidates do to stop the filling if they were president right now? I phoned that question to Ross Perot's spokesman and was faxed this prompt, if Carteresque, response: "I would be actively working with the United Nations in an effort to restore Bank research that over the code of the co peace to the area." Can't get in trouble with a platitude. Bill Clinton, after criticizing Bush "indifference," respended. The United States and the international amunity must adopt immediately the kinds of tough sanctions that will make the Milosevic regime pay a

ing assets, an oil embargo, and suspension or expulsion from appropriate international organizations."

That's at least a policy that offers change. Opinion makers as far apart as Anthony Lewis and Jeane Kirkpatrick agree that if collective security is to have meaning, the president of the United States must do more during mass slaughter than send Margaret Tutwiler out

to wring her hands and play Benjamin Harrison.

Last year we saw how televised pictures of arrocities turned around a callous, let-it-happen policy in Iraq. After the public ontery, Mr. Bush put a protective air cap over much of Iraqi Kurdistan; as a result, this week, for the first time in a thousand years, Kurds are

voting in a free, democratic election. A Bosnia-Herzegovinan official — this year's Haile classie — says that if the world intervened to escort relief to starving, persecuted Kurds, why not Bosnians?

We are real people, too." Did America set a precedent by protecting the Kurds? Or was that a special case, where U.S. interests were at stake, where the White House had a moral responsibility because it had called for the anti-Saddam uprising, and where the American public supported intervention?

Answer: both. The extent of U.S. participation will

depend on previous commitment, vital national interest and sphere of influence.
But wherever in the world brutality is inflicted on milions of people, America's place is in the vanguard of marshaling civilization's response. They are now represented by — and not oppressed by — their own dictator, Slobodan Milosevic. They are seizing territory they believe was stolen from them. If this causes death and desolation, they say, so be it —

Serbs have suffered in the past, too. Sorry, but the law of the jungle has been repealed. No longer should any people get away with barbarism

in the name of vengeance. How do we stop the killing? The international com-nunity — that's Germany, France, Britain, Russia and the United States, under UN or regional auspices must put an intolerable cost on continued aggression.

This does not mean Operation Balkan Storm; the

Serbs, unlike the Iraqis, would fight forever. Nor would this mean namby-pamby sanctions like suspending airline landing rights.

It means, as Bill Clinton suggests, embargoing Serbia's oil and freezing its assets. Beyond that, we should

impinge on its long-sought sovereignty by seizing Ser-bian airspace, much as was done in Kurdistan. This would not immediately stop Serbian aggres-

sion, but it would be a painful and humiliating penalty. Peacemakers would have cards to play.

Harrisonism need not paralyze us. "Chronic wrongdoing," wrote Theodore Roosevelt, "or an impotence which results in a general loosening of the ties of civilized society, may ... ultimately require interven-tion by some civilized nation."

Update that to "alliance of nations" and apply the

responsibility to intervene to the Balkans today. The New York Times.

divided government and best construction of the full mesons of the ful Iran-Contra Isn't Difficult: Just Color It Crooked

By Edwin M. Yoder Jr.

WASHINGTON — There are so and the other est W many special investigators and grand juries pecing into so many stridy comers these days that Judge Lawrence Walsh's examination of

the fran-contra affair had nearly smk from sight - It was a footnote to the secret history of the Reagan administration when fudge Walsh momentarily appeared at the federal courthouse in Washington

'tm May 14 to dismiss his grand jury - Former cabinet members are still being questioned and the "final report" is still pending, but the main investigation

seems to be winding down. Fortunately, we needn't await Judge Walsh's report, though it may be helpful, to grasp the larger significance of this scandal, indeed, meaning the Irancontra matter primarily as a criminal conspiracy, rather than as a major con-

stitutional infraction, has more clouded than illuminated what was most ominous about it. The conventional view grew up around the famous description by Attorney General Edwin Meese, who first announced the discovery of a "diver-

and, to a degree, distorted the reality, which was less a single "affair" than a linked secres of them.

The parts were builtantly put together for me in Philip Bobbitt's new book,

Constitutional Interpretation," pub-

sion" of arms sale profits to the Nicara-guan counterrevolutionaries, the con-tras. The word "diversion" colored

contours of the forest in legalistic detail, making

lished by Blackwell's in America and in

England. The book is not primarily

about Iran-contra, but includes a fasci-

nating chapter on the subject. Mr. Bob-

Investigating for years at

the toothpick and splinter

level, Walsh has lost the

fuzzy what should be clear.

Liman in the joint congressional investigation. His encyclopedic knowledge of the affair, and his ability to frame

it in constitutional context, has been The "affair," Mr. Bobbitt writes, really began not in 1985 but in 1983, when the Reagan administration began turning to friendly countries to solicit funds that Congress was unwilling to appropriate. Secretary of State George Shultz obtained \$10 million from the

sultan of Brunei. That was the origin of

what came to be known as the "enter-

prise," a "secret infrastructure," Mr.

Bobbitt calls it, with an "informal

board of directors" (the director of cen-

tral intelligence, Bill Casey, and two

bitt, former legal counsel to the Senate Select Committee, worked with Arthur

ers, Robert McFarlane and John Poindexter); and a "chief executive officer" (Oliver North). The sultan's donation was angmented by arms sales - not only those to Iran but to others, and, according to Mr. Bobbitt, even by trading in currency and timber. All told the enterprise raised some \$50 million for congressionally unauthorized foreign policy activities.

White House national security advis-

"It planned to recruit a small militia in Lebanon"; it enjoyed access to "key CIA personnel ... to classified docu-ments, and to secret government communications equipment." The plan "was to provide the presi-dent with the capability to conduct

covert operations that would be funded by extraconstitutional means and thus would not have to be reported to Con-

gress." It was not created just for the intrigue to get the hostages released. It was "to be staffed and available ... for any covert operation that needed its special scope and freedom from restraints."

Whatever its scope and purposes, the "enterprise" was extraconstitutional, if not flatly unconstitutional. The Constitution is explicit on one vital point, and it is almost the keystone of government by consent: No money is to be spent by the Treasury (which is to say the government) except by lawful appropriation. And only Congress has authority to make appropriations. The evasion of

this fundamental rule is a flagrant violation of constitutional principles.

Quite obviously, if a president — or worse, presidential aides without the president's full knowledge and assent -

may raise secret kitties and use them to pursue secret intrigues in the good name

of the United States, the country risks sliding from constitutional government to banana-republic status. Judge Walsh, whose good intentions can hardly be doubted, is in a measure responsible for making murky what

should be blindingly clear. By investigating Iran-contra for almost six years

at the toothpick and splinter level, he has lost the contours of the forest in legalistic detail. If Judge Walsh remains in doubt

about the big picture he could do worse than to read Phil Bobbitt's book and

perhaps make it the centerpiece of his

still pending "final report."

Meanwhile, the rest of us needn't wait on Judge Walsh. Mr. Bobbitt's book is

available; and the chapter on Iran-contra is solid gold. Washington Post Writers Group.

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In the Fog, Low on Gas, and Lost

By S. T. Kantin

I have done without, but when the control tower at Charles de Gaulle Airport invited my single-engine plane to land on its vast runway, I could hardly say no. I had been flying over the countryside northeast of Paris through storm, clouds and log for nearly 90

MEANWHILE minutes, much of that time in zero visibility. My gas was running short.
I hadn't planned it that way.

Looking forward to a leisurely jaunt on a recent Sunday morning. I had learned at my air club that the cloud cover was a bit thick above 700 feet (210 meters). A storm was expected in the afternoon. But a quick trip to the woods beyond Meaux, following the twisting Marne, and a return dash to the airfield at Chelles would take at most a half

hour, just enough to stretch my legs. I checked the 150 horsepower Rally. There was about two hours worth of gas in its tanks. There seemed no point

in loading the plane down with the extra weight of full tanks. So I rolled down the grass-covered strip, took the plane up, aimed for the tall chimneys of the Vaires power

station, then pointed my nose at 75

degrees, and reached the old stone bridge on the other side of Meaux in barely seven minutes. I continued over the woods beyond,

then turned back toward home. The reddish, mock-medieval silhouette of

Euro Disneyland appeared to the south, a bit farther than I would have liked, so I cut a few degrees from my heading and — I was swallowed by a squall. Heavy, rattling raindrops beat on

the canopy and splattered on the wings

- something frightening only the first time it happens. The real problem was that I was engulfed in fog. The wing

tips had disappeared. I knew the Vaires chimneys were in front of me. There was no question of approaching them in the squall, so 1

turned to the only piece of electronic navigation equipment I had, the VOR.
The VOR, or Visual Omni Range,
can be set to tell the plane's position relative to a beacon on the ground. I set it to the beacon at Melun, knowing that Melun was 175 degrees from the Vaires chimneys. I used that knowledge to mentally plot a route bome.

But when the rain stopped, the fog had

thickened; and when I dropped to 500

feet, what I saw stirred nothing in my visual memory. And 500 feet is no altitude to maintain without some hint of a horizon. After 10 minutes I decided to turn the plane around and aim for the chimneys.

Coulommiers and riding the line to then a golf course. The golf course did that airfield, but the needle on the fuel the trick. CDG made me do a 10 gauge was dropping steadily. And what if Coulommiers were socked in? For the first time since I took up this sport some 20 years ago, I called my all runways. I spotted four Boeing 747s sitting in a cluster, and then a Conhome tower by radio and said I was lost. After flying blind for more than half an hour. I had no idea where I was. My compasses showed me where north was, but north had become just another point in the fog.

Chelles received my message and turned me over to Le Bourget; Le Bour-get turned me over to the Charles de Gaulle tower, which was better equipped to handle problems like this. CDG tower calmly instructed me to do a 360 degree turn. I found that strange. It was probably just as well that I didn't know CDG's reasoning: The tower had not the slightest hint

corde, apparently waiting for me to get down before streaking skyward. I was tempted to use that runway, but the tower told me to maintain my heading until I saw rapidly flashing lights. I was to follow them to a landing. Another runway of this size was unthinkable from behind my 150

Bit by bit, the fog was clearing. I told the tower I could see the outline

of a wooded area, then a racetrack.

degree turn to the left, then a 20 degree

turn. Then, straight ahead. I saw what

looked to me like the grandmother of

horsepower engine - but there it was now, flashing, beckoning.

The last bit of news I didn't need

wind" - almost enough to flip us over.

We didn't have any choice. We land-

came in a flatly delivered warning: "Watch out, there is a 25 knot cross-



of my whereabouts and was trying to ed, my plane and I, the craft pawing spot me on its radar.

Following more instructions I set my VOR to the Charles de Gaulle frequency and headed for the 195 degrees indicated. Then, on request, I did another 360 degree turn, moved up to noticed two huge fire engines waiting 1,500 feet, and did another. Then at a discreet distance. I asked the quickly back to 800 feet so as not to CDG tower. "Are they there for me?" lose contact with the ground.

I made each move with precision, my mouth to become dry again. CDG

the air like a crab.

My little Sunday jaunt had hardly been that. There may have been 15 minutes of gas left in the tanks. As I taxled my plane forward, I

"Nice landing," was the only reply. Later, when the weather had not understanding that it was time for cleared, the head of my air club and our chief pilot came to help me bring the plane home; we reached Chelles

No one in the club was laughing: it International Herald Tribune.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

At Issue in Hamburg

Regarding the report "At a Jewish jects that do matter.

Conveyor in Germany, a Clash of Mr. Perot has gui

Laws" (May 11) by Marc Fisher: The majority of people opposed to construction of the Ottensen shopping mall are not Jewish. They are students, merchants and foreiga workers who fear that a glitzy shopping mall would threaten the private commerce, low rent and vanety of Hamburg's only progres-

sive multicultural neighborhood.

By cooperating with the Jewish activists, these residents can fight against the gentrification of their ighborhood. ERIKA GINSBERG-KLEMMT.

Hamburg. Third-Party Politics

Regarding "A Perot Run for President Wouldn't Add Up to Much"

"central issue in 1992" ought to be "the need to end the policy deadlock in Washington by constituting a real government, one where the presi-dent and the congressional majority are of the same party." Mr. Broder needs only to examme the voting records of the U.S.

inc pents
include to the man Democrats who will vote with the Republicans on certain issues. The democratic process would be greatly helped through the introduction of a third party that truly addresses the needs and desires of

in the francis "financed and helped organize prisoner-of-war and hostage relief efforts," but I challenge the as-sumption that this "showed his liking for the murkier areas of private heightened interest in aiding and abetting the process that gave us the Iran-contra scandal. If Mr. Perot were to be elected president, he would take an oath to uphold and defend the Constitution of the belief that Ross Perot is a man who takes such oaths seriously.

ALAN DANMAR

If the issues of the presidential

envy of the free world."

LUCINDA OLIVEIRA.

This article quotes an Algerian

(Opinion, April 30): - David S. Broder contends that the

jority is irrelevant. There will always be a significant number of

Congress to realize that "party loy-

alty is a joke in U.S. politics. Whether the Democrats have a ma-

the American people.

It is true that Ross Perot has mitary operations." Our cur-United States. It is my personal

ADSTRUM — FOR OUR PARTY OF THE Envy of the Free World Regarding "Perot Pledged Nixon Millions, Memos Say" (May 8):

Mr. Peror's \$50 million offer to President Richard Nixon 20 years ²⁸⁰ "to spend for his own benefit" securs to be the start of the Repub-TO BE AND THE PARTY OF THE PART ficans' desperate digging out the dirty deals that the future independent presidential candidate may have been involved in.

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it will turn out that nobody else is interested in dealing with the sub-

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difficult for someone of Arab on- relevant information other than

gin to get into a position of power

France boasts about liberty,

equality and fraternity. But only

native Frenchmen are given the op-

portunities that let them aspire to

white-collar jobs.

In Britain and America, immi-

grants hold important positions. In

France, Algerians and blacks are

considered to be good only for

ditch-digging and factory work.
The French see themselves as ex-

clusive, a fixed civilization, a unity

- always apart from the rest. Ev-

erything that is foreign to them is viewed with suspication.

Liberty and equality, part of France's motto, are derisive and

gimmicky. They do not fit and have

to be reviewed to be credible. This

is a challenge France can no longer

DAN CHELLUMBEN.

Amboise, France.

in France. He is right.

what the video tape offered.

have prevented the riots, but it

would have bridged the gap be-

WILLIAM H. BRAY.

The Hagne.

incident and the jury's verdict.

insight, which have been lacking in the White House in recent years. He is sure scaring the hell out of Mr. Bush. Mr. Perot is the only candidate in America who really can make a difference and turn the United States into what Mr. Ouavle once claimed it to be, "the

LOG ANGELES.

Regarding "Watching Los Angeles, French Ask: Can It Happen in Marseille? Or Paris? Or Lyon? (May 13) by William Drozdiak:

Liberty's Flip Side

I do not know whether the Los

Angeles police were guilty of using excessive force in beating Rodney King or whether the jury reached a reasonable verdict. I do know that the "media" were partly responsible for the recent riots. The videotape recording of the beating was aired repeatedly because it was so sensational. The jury

saw this video but also received oth-

mation including the officers' perspective. This significantly changed some viewers' conclusions. I have seen very little of the information the jury saw, but I have enough faith in the American judi-

sociation, Mr. Bush has put presidential prestige behind laws that give destitute, desperate people everywhere access to all the handguns and high-powered rifles they need to escape poverty by going into business for themselves.

SAM and NA'AMA ANSELL Scritto, Italy.

Voice in the Wilderness Regarding "Truly Electrifying Entertainment" (Opinion, May 12) by Arthur Miller: er information — they saw both sides of the story. A news clip on CNN showed additional trial infor-Thank you, Arthur Miller, for

your wit and intelligence concern-ing the horrors and absurdity of the death penalty. Unfortunately, yours is almost a lone voice in the wilderness. The United States will continue to believe in the gun and the electric chair to solve its prob lems. As long as people like Bill Clinton continue to support executions, there is little hope for a kinder, gentler American society. STEPHEN AYRTON.

Brian Beedham, Anthony Lewis and Jenonne Walker recommend Western military intervention reactions from Russia and other Fastern states to NATO forces at-

European history.

Rather than crude journalistic ingoism, it would be wiser for Enropeans and Americans to heed Churchill's advice: "Quit killing and start talking!" and encourag realistic negotiations. This should be the immediate aim of all the The news media must present the be imbroglio, as well as those who are whole picture and not just the sensational items. Sensational does convinced that the future "Europenot equate with newsworthy. More an family" must eventually "dwell even-handed reporting may not in peace, in safety and in freedom under and within the world concept of the United Nations Ortween the public's perception of the gamzation," as Churchill put it in

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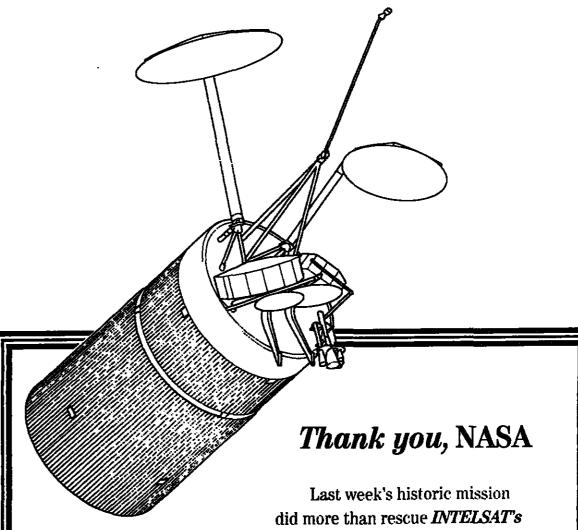
his 1946 speech in Zurich. DAVID LITTMAN.

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OLD PHILADELPHIA LADY.

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Start Talking

Regarding "Europe and America Could Interdict Serbia's Arms" by Brian Beedham and "What Was That About a New World Order?" by Anthony Lewis (Opinion, May 18), as well as "The Wordy West Fiddles While Ex-Yugoslavia Burns" by Jenonne Walker (Opinion, May 21):

in the former Yugoslavia. None tacking Serbian forces, whatever betrays a total misreading of

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heit's thermometer.

Exhibits Show The Counterfeit In Daily Life

By Laura Colby International Herald Tribune

ALERNO, Italy — The museum's facade looks like carefully restored and painted stone. But on closer inspection, one can see that a corner of the facade is loose and curling, almost as if it could could be peeled off like a piece of pasteboard.

In front is a stone tablet inscribed in Oscan characters, used by the tribe that inhabited this southern Italian region in the 5th century B.C., before the Romans came. But when translated, the inscription doesn't contain ancient wisdom, just a phrase by Professor Salvatore Casillo, circa

Casillo is the mastermind behind the Museo del Falso, an institution studying and exhibiting fakes and counterfeit objects that are part of daily life. The museum was opened last year with funds from the city, the University of Salerno and a local savings bank, and since then has featured exhibitions on counterfeit silver, detergents and, most recently, food.

A professor of industrial sociology who focused on entrepreneurship, Casillo came across hundreds of examples of entrepre-neurs who went into illegal business, sometimes with brilliant ideas "that made you wonder what they could accomplish in legitimate business," he said.

Together with colleagues who are psychologists, anthropologists and legal experts — all of whom had come across the trend in their own research - he founded a study center and the museum, which was formerly a depot for the city sanitation department.

Casillo shrugged off the idea that the proximity of Italy's counterfeiting capital — Naples - may have contributed to their

experiences.

"It doesn't just happen in Italy, it happens everywhere in the world," he said. "The problem of falsification is the problem of the future. With advanced electronic equipment available easily today, almost anyone can counterfeit almost anything."
The Falso Food exhibit demonstrated the

range.
There was false wine, containing methanol: a "Moët & Chandon champagne" made in Naples; extra-virgin olive oil made by adding chlorophyll to far cheaper sunflower oil, and a ring of counterfeiters who replaced labels on jars of foods like Nutelia and Kraft mayonnaise with new ones once the date of expiry for recommended use had past. (The ring was uncovered after tire family was hospitalized after cating spoiled food.)

ROM Germany, Ireland and the Netherlands, powdered milk protein for animal use, which is eligible for European Community paywas exported bearing labels that falsely claimed that it was suitable for human consumption and made into products such as cheese for export, bringing a higher

Casillo said the Italian carabinieri's special health inspection squad each year sequesters around 900 billion lire (\$750 million) of products in Italy. Not everything on exhibit was illegal. There

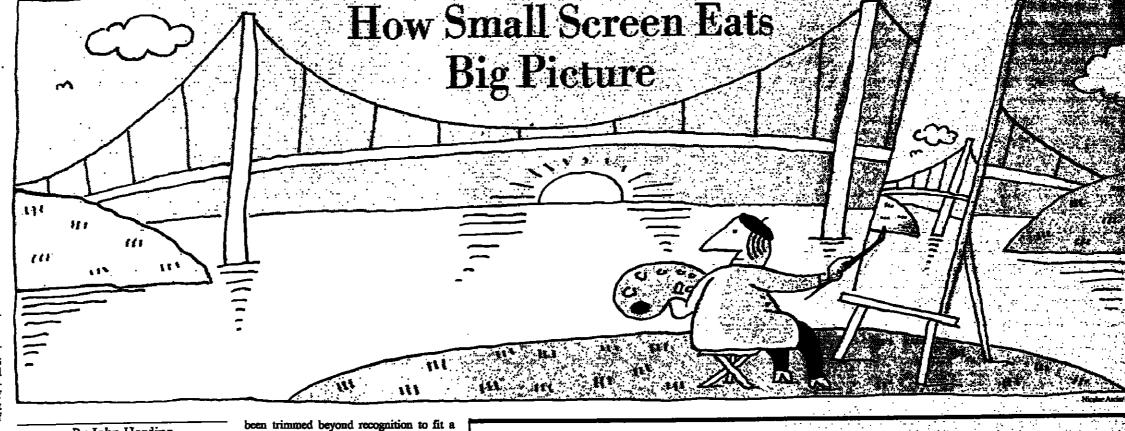
were also caffeine-free coffee, alcohol-free beer and cholesterol-free eggs, all foods that are not really what they claim to be.

The False Food exhibit closed at the end of April but will travel to Vicenza for a food fair in September. In Salerno, meanwhile, an exhibit opens

this month on false talismans such as crystal balls and good-luck charms. "There has been increasing insecurity of our rational world in recent years," said Casillo. "Many people try to take refuge in magic. The thesis of our exhibit will be that these talismans actually do work for those who believe in them."

Future exhibits are planned on false ar-chaeological artifacts, historical falsehoods such as faise television news and counterfeit

Museo del Falso, via San Benedetto 9, Salerno, tel: (89) 253-451. Open weekends, or by appointment for groups.



By John Harding

ASHINGTON — You've got your big-screen TV, your five-speaker surround-sound amp, and even a bucket of gourmet popcorn. You slip the latest hit movie into your VCR - but your home theater still doesn't seem to add up to a real moviegoing

Something's missing. What could it be?

How about 43 percent of the movie?
Until very recently, chances are overwhelming that what you were watching on your home monitor was not what you saw down at the neighborhood Bijou, nor was it what the movie's makers intended you to see. What you saw was a cropped and scanned and sometimes squeezed or colorized --shadow of the real movie, a desperate attempt to fit a well-rounded work of cinema into the square hole of television.

The surge in popularity of home video in the 1980s caught filmmakers off guard. Even the late Sir David Lean, whose handsomely tailored wide-screen epics like "The Bridge on the River Kwai" and "Lawrence of Ara-bia" suffered most at the hands of videocassette packagers and broadcasters, seemed more amused than infuriated by the TV

screen's boxlike shape.
"You know, the box is O.K.," Sir David joked at the premiere of his restored "Law-rence of Arabia" in 1989, "but it's just the middle third of a picture like this."

Today, many filmmakers are no longer amused. A recent Los Angeles Times survey reported that 67 percent of the American populace now prefers to do all its moviewatching at home, and directors, writers and cinematographers have started to speak out on aesthetic matters that go beyond the last legal scuffle over colorization.

Several of those who helped underwrite the restoration of "Lawrence of Arabia," the directors Steven Spielberg and Martin Scorsese among them, are seeking government legislation to protect the integrity of their movies on the home front. The latest voiley is HR 3051, titled the Film Disclosure Act of 1991, which would require copyright owners to label all movies when "materially altered" for the home video market, commercial exhibition or for transmission over cable, satellite or broadcast TV.

In March, Scorsese appeared before a consional subcommittee to testify in favor of this amendment to the Lanham Trade-mark Act of 1946. "Some of our best stories have been butchered, drained of their richness and reduced to skeletons," he said.

Scorsese documented his charges by playing tapes of broadcasts, which showed how Alfred Hitchcock's "Rear Window" had been re-edited to include a Jimmy Stewart dream sequence and how reaction shots in the climactic moments of "Casablanca" had

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Sometimes the liberties taken with feature films are less perceptible, as when their run-ning time is shaved by removing individual frames or when the entire film is "compressed" through electronic means. Both techniques can subtly alter the pitch of music and dialogue, producing in the viewer a sense of something being wrong that may be more subliminal than conscious.

In other cases, movies have been expanded to a more marketable length by adding new footage, or alternate takes have been inserted to "soften up" the movie for family viewing. Substantially different musical soundtracks have been substituted.

By far the most prevalent form of alteration has been through a technique known as "panning and scanning." This is an attempt to make up for the loss of visual information from both sides of a wide-screen picture by redirecting a viewer's attention to the most

obvious action elements in its composition.
"Without scanning, actors would exit the frame prematurely," explains a position pa-per by the Motion Picture Association of America. "Panning the image keeps the principal actors and the key action within the television frame."

INCE 1961, this has been the accept-ed way for TV stations to deal with wide-screen movies. But it has raised the question of who was performing this technical surgery, in effect deciding what visual material in each shot was important and what was irrelevant.

More and more movies are being shot with the inevitable TV and home video markets in mind. Relying on tight, alternating close-ups and center-weighted compositions, these features transform the movie-going experi-ence into a sort of big-screen sneak preview of next season's rental club fare.

Short of that, though, the only real alternative to panning and scanning is the process known as "letterboxing," Letterboxing, which television broadcasters first tried in the 1950s, more or less faithfully reproduces the rectan-gular movie image on the TV screen, leaving a black band above and below it. At a time ם-לו שם king, however, the practice received little support from eye-strained viewers.

Letterboxing is still seen as a major turnoff for consumers, which is why both the Motion Picture Association of America and the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers turned out in full force to speak out against HR 3051.

It has only been in the past two or three years, however, with the availability of bigger, high-resolution TV monitors and a renewed interest in high-quality laser home video, that letterboxing has really gained outspoken support.

Letterboxed versions of "The Alamo," "It's a Mad Mad Mad Mad World," the restored "Spartacus" and "Thelma & Louise" have all shown up on VHS tape in recent months to favorable response. Indeed, when Kevin Costner's "Dances With Wolves" was released on tape only in a \$99, cropped-andscanned version last fall, most reviewers recommended sitting "Dances" out. It did not go unnoticed that Costner's epic soon followed on laser disk with its original Panavi-

sion vistas intact at a price of \$49. Paramount Home Video is hoping to stem the tide of defectors to laser disk with its new "Director's Series" of videocassettes, which offers select titles in their original screen ratios. Because of their better picture resolution, laser disks will always be more "letterbox friendly" than either traditional TV

broadcasting or videotape, the experts say.

For fans, laser's ability to deliver sharp visual detail more than makes up for the reduced size of the actors. The consensus is that most wide-screen films on laser disk are

The New Order in Russian Tourism

By Celestine Bohlen New York Times Service

OSCOW — In the old days, when the Soviet Union was still one country with just one travel agency, foreign tourists knew more or less what to expect. They were met, housed, fed and herded about by Intourist, a watchful servant of the state that made sure visitors stuck with a program, from stale, pre-ordered meals to well-rehearsed litanies of

Now, there is no program, just as there is no Soviet Union and no Intourist monopoly. Instead, the traveler finds a bewildering array of offers, services, tours, hunting and fishing trips, ski adventures, cultural exchanges and study groups. Name it, and if you look hard enough, you can find it here in the 15 former Soviet republics, of which 11 are still loosely banded together in the Commonwealth of

This is all basically good news for tourists. They can go to places that were previously off-limits, do things that were formerly neitya, or impermissible, stay with families without having to worry about the KGB and even live the way the old Communist bosses did, now that the party's villas, sanitariums and secret hotels have been thrown open.

The only thing missing is certainty. Russia and the other republics are going through major economic and political changes, which make long-range planning difficult for every-

one, including those catering to tourists.
Intourist has been radically transformed. It
is now a nongovernmental tour operator
working on contract with hotels, restaurants
and travel agencies throughout the former Soviet Union. Intourist guarantees what it can, but is powerless in the face of delayed flights, fuel shortages, ethnic strife, changes

in government or coups.

Memories of the failed coup in Moscow last August, and a well-publicized economic crisis that has brought in Western aid, are not going to help tourism in 1992. The best year was from the summer of 1989 until the summer of 1990, before Mikhail S. Gorbachev's changes began to sour. Since then the number of visitors from the West has fallen 10 to 15 percent, according to Ravil M. Yulgushev,

vice president of Intourist, and the drop in visitors from Eastern Europe has been even more drastic.

Still, the new era at least offers a choice of still, the new era at least outers a choice of sorts. You can now find Western-style hotels, such as the hixurious Metropol in Moscow, the elegant Grand Hotel Europe in St. Petersburg and the gleaming Metechi Palace in Thilisi, Georgia. In major cities, new restanzants, many with foreign partners, are sprouting up daily.
For these new haxuries, Western visitors

are asked to pay large, some argue prohibi-tive, sums, given Russia's tenuous appeal for many tourists. One night at the Metropol costs \$420 for two, while at the Cosmos. formerly an Intourist hotel in northern Moscow, far from the center, the rate for two is \$256. A dinner for two, with wine, at Arlecchino, one of the best Italian restaurants in Moscow, will easily top \$150.

ODERATELY priced hotels exist, but they are difficult to find. One, the new Novotel in Moscow, charges \$150 a night for a single or a double room. The Gorbachev Foundation, in an immease building on Leningrad Boulevard that was originally built as a training school for foreign Communist Par-ty leaders, has a 198-room hotel, where a

standard double goes for \$100, and a defined double with sitting room costs \$140.

There are probably other bargains too, now that hotels are trying to make their way in an increasingly competitive market. But foreign travel agencies such as American Express do not know about them. (For an alternative, see story at right.)

"It is one of the biggest problems we have," said Jim Kober, vice president of the American

can Express office in Moscow. "There is no concerted effort to put all of this together. There are new outfits, but a lot of them are questionable. Do they have room service, dothe telephones work, do they provide towels and a par of soap?"

culties, life here for foreigners — both short-term visitors and long-term residents — is better than ever. With \$1 now roughly equal to 100 rubles, prices that make the average Moscovite wince are negligible for many

For those with particularly Western cravings or needs, there is now an impressive array of stores that accept only dollars and

other hard currencies and are run by Finns, Irish, French and Austrians, among others. Taxis and private car rentals are more sentiful than before the fall of the Soviet Union, and private drivers, once shy of for-cigners, are happy to take them wherever they want to go, even outside the city for a day's excursion. The fare should be 30 times what you see on the meter if the taxi is officially hoensed although rates are often negotiable. A ride within the center of Moscow will probably cost 100 rubles.

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About 1,500 organizations in the former Soviet Union are now involved in the tourist business, which, like many others here, has a Wild West feel with biznesmeni scrambling to stake out available resorts. The Inbor travel agency, for instance, recently circulated a flier offering a dacha built for Stalin in the Valdai region, famous for its lakes, hills and natural beauty, about 320 kilometers (200 miles) north of Moscow. "Fabulous rooms, bulliand tables approach fragulates vools." billiard tables, saunas, fireplaces, pools, tennis courts, cinema halls are awaiting you," the flier says. At \$15 to \$20 per person a night, the deal is not bad, but it is limited.

Mikhail Zoikov, a spokesman for Inbor, said the firm did not want to advertise widely for fear that it would not be able to handle

Such arrangements may be open to chal-lenge. For instance, a recent article asserting that Gorbacher's villa on the coast of Crimea was available for rent turned out to be untrue. The villa, with its escalator designed by Raisa Gorbachev for an effortless ascent from the beach, is the subject of a dispute between Russia and Ukraine. Rooms are available, however, at the nearby Rest House, where Gorbachev's senior advisers were staying during the coup last August, according to a tour guide in nearby Sevastopol.

The list goes on —party bosses had country homes scattered all across the country. usually in choice spots. Finding these places, getting in touch with the new proprietors and making reasonably sure that they will contin-ue to be available is not easy particularly for overseas tourists. Many do not advertise. And many are not known to travel agencies,





Scenes from Keith Gordon's "A Midnight Clear," left, and Kiyoshi Kurosawa's "Jigoku ni Keibi-in."

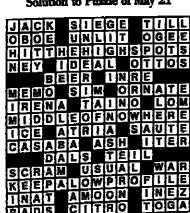
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that the great Sam Fuller might have directed: a spare, personal, straight-from-the-trenches account of men at war. But the serene, nearly ecclesiastical tone that Keith Gordon has given the film would have been out of character for the gritty post-war anteur. Adapted by Gordon from William Wharton's novel, it focuses on the family atmosphere within a depleted squadron assigned to acquire intelligence information about an expected Nazi offensive in the snowy French countryside. The six young soldiers, all of whom, we're told, have IQs higher than 150, are led by Will Knott (Ethan Hawke), a recently promoted sergeant who also serves as the film's narrator. The Germans, they discover, don't want to fight at all; fresh from the Russian front, they've had enough of war and want to surrender. So a mock skirmish is planned that will allow the Americans to capture their ri-

vals while also making it appear that the Germans put up a fight.
(Hal Hinson, WP)

Pineapple Tours Directed by Tsutomu Makiya, Yuji Nakae, Toma Hayashi. Japan. This is the latest offering from

what appears to be the Okinawa film industry, a lively group of producers, actors and directors. Lively, funky, triumphantly rustic, this three part film revels in Okinawa's differences from the motherland. A mainland boy gets unwillingly entangled with an island girl and, once the baby is born, becomes an Okinawan. A mainland developer ("Pincapple Tours") gets his comeuppance. A native singer loses her voice and its disappearance is somehow connected with a bomb left over from World War II destruction. The all-amateur cast is - well amateur. But everyone cavorts with such charm, the Okinawan music is so infectnous and the Ma-and-Pa maxims so sincere, that the result is bright, warm, energetic, and winning.
(Donald Richie, IHT)

Jigoku ni Kelbi-in

Directed by Kiyoshi Kurosawa. Japan. The young director (no relation

to the more famous Akira) for whom Juzo Itami last year pro-duced "Sweet Home," that send-up of Ehn Street, has now made another tale of terror. The gnardsman from hell of the title is a large and lethal employee hired to see to the security in a typical Japanese company. building. He sees to it all right and sets out to murder corporate Japan. In this hi-tech old dark house there are a number of gory potentials, but the nlucky heroine, Makiko Kuno, emerges in one piece. She alone. Others have legs and arms broken while alive, are put into filing cabinets and stomped to: death. Who wants overtime in a company like this? And what to do when horror stalks the company corridors and the very symbol of a protective and pafernal authoritarianism turns lethal. It is possible to read this entertaining picture as a camp allegory of big business in Ja-

pan, but the director seems to really have more fun imitating U.S. film noir and cultivating a real talent for showing the horfor of the everyday.
(Donald Richie, 1971)

Lethal Weepon 3 Directed by Richard Donner,

Lethal Weapon 3" opens when Detective Sergeants Martin Riggs (Mel Gibson) and Roger Murtaugh (Danny Glover), the Los Augeles Police Department's two most treless cut-ups, accidentally blow up a building while trying to defeat a car bomb. It ends when they burn down a housing project. In between they become involved in a comic armored car heist and more or less stumble across a vicious former LAPD, cop (Stuart Wilson), who is now running an underground supermarket dealing in stolen pans, armor piercing bullets and drags. Little Wespon 3" ist't that must worse than the 1990 carlier films, but the gags wear thin, (Vincent Canbr. NYT)

Rescuing a Star From a Fallen Galaxy

By Patricia Wells International Herald Tribune

ARIS - In 1872, Alfred and Catherine Prunier opened a modest little restaurant at 9 Rue Duphot, offering raw oysters, grilled fish and meats, and vins judicieusement choisis. The Pruniers were the first in Paris to offer oysters raw — on the half shell — for until

this time oysters were necessarily cooked. The establishment grew and grew, as did the rage for sparkling fresh oysters. By 1897. Parisians were booked, and soon

Prunier began a door-to-door service to the city's bourgeois homes, complete with specially outlitted ecaillers, or oyster openers, who traveled through the city in long white aprons and wooden shoes, transporting woven baskets of oysters on their heads.

Soon the Pruniers acquired their own oyster parks and lishing boats in Brittany, began importing caviar from Russia and developed sturgeon fishing on France's Gironde River that spawned a business in French caviar. By 1930, Prunier employed 600 men to

deliver fish and shellfish throughout the city, and had opened a second Prunier, along Ave-nue Victor Hugo in Paris's 16th Arrondissement. The operation reached its peak in 1960, when the Prunier galaxy included more than 2,000 employees and sold more than 500,000 kilograms of fish and shellfish each year.

The Parisian appetite for fish never waned,

The famed Prunier (now Goumard-Prunier) reopened a few months ago, under the ownership of Jean-Claude Goumard, whose elegant fish restaurant at 17 Rue Duphot had managed to gain a solid Michelin star.

Gournard, a Breton who won his first fishing competition at the age of 6 and who had worked as an apprentice at the original Prunier, has transformed his former restaurant into a colorful, reasonably priced fish bistro. named Gaya, while the refurbished Goumard-Prunier is sure to continue as one of the city's best (and most expensive) fish restau-

If price was not in question, I'd lunch or dine at Prunier every other day, feasting on the fish and shellfish they insist is never more than 36 hours from the water and never has touched the ice that would "burn" the fish and dilute its delicate flavors.

Both Goumard establishments shine with a sense of true quality, a quality that can be achieved only by rigorous standards and consistent attention to detail. During a recent lunch at the "grand" restaurant, I realized I had almost forgotten what sheer luxury great fish can be, specifically when it is so pure and fresh you want to weep and when it is treated with utmost respect.

Such as a tiny appetizer of fresh crab meat, tossed in an almost invisible vinaigrette, and just a touch of chives. Or in the tartare de bar,

but by 1980 Prunier was sold, underwent several proprietors, fell out of favor, and fruity, top-quality of the surbot de ligne (fresh turbot caught by the turbot de ligne (fresh turbot of all was the t line, not in a net) accompanied by a mix of wild mushrooms and sauced with a balsamic vinegar space that married perfectly with the firm, alabaster-toned fish.

All of this comes at a price. Plan to spend 450 to 650 francs per person, not including wine. The restaurant has been totally refurbished, with a sparkling first floor kitchen open to view, a fine collection of Lalique lighting and sunny, golden yellow tiles. They have, thankfully, saved the favalous 1930 toilettes designed by Majorelle.

For everyday dining, Gaya offers less no-ple fish and less noble prices, without sacri-

ficing quality: Try a delicious tartare of sea bass and saimon, a platter of tiny lotte, or moakfish, merely roasted, or strips of sole (200jonnette) simply sauteed in oil. The apple tart is a rare delight, and the bright yellow, tiled decor makes for a happy, wholesome

Gournard-Prunier, 9 Rue Duphot, 75001 Parts; tei: 42.60.04.54, Closed Sunday and Monday, Credit cards: American Express, Diners Club, Visa. From 450 to 600 francs per person, no: including wine.

Gaya, 17 Rue Duphot, 75001 Paris; tel: 42.60.43.62 Closed Sunday and Monday. Credit cards: American Express, Diners Club, Visa. From 200 to 250 francs per person, not



Far left and bottom, two photos shown for the centennial of Vogue magazine in New York, top middle is a sculpture by Susana Solano shown at the Artcurial in Paris, and at right a lithograph by Alexander Calder shown in London.

Cheap Digs, Dorm-Style, in St. Petersburg

By Lawrence Malkin

EW YORK - In the era of the workers' paradise, a visit to Russia's art treasures used to cost a czar's ransom in hotel bills. No longer. A youth hostel has opened in St. Petersburg to travelers of all ages for only \$14 a night, breakfast included.

The idea came from Steven R. Caron, a California graduate student of Russian and theater at the University of St. Petersburg. He was appalled at local hotel prices that ranged downward from \$150 a night to a minimum of \$80 for Western-style hotels in what might best be described as fleabag class.

Through the student underground, he learned that the city's commercial institute, the Financial Trade School, had a vacant dormitory only two blocks from the Moscow train station just off Nevsky Prospect, St. Petersburg's main street. Caron explained the hostel idea to the school authorities and they formed a joint venture, Russian Youth Hostels and Tourism.

Students pitched in to repaint the interior and renovate the bathrooms. There is constant hot water except in August, when everyone takes cold showers because the municipal

steam plant is turned off. The four-story hostel has 50 beds, three or four to a room. common toilets and showers on each floor, a

television room, and two small kitchens. In many hostels, guests must leave for most of the day to permit cleaning, but in St. Petersburg the period is only optional and the recommended hours are 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. If this hostel is successful, Caron hopes to extend the network to Moscow, Yalta and

most major tourist cities. Visas for Russia are necessary and the hostel will arrange one for \$50, most of which represents the consular fee. Reserva-

tions, payable in advance, must be made at least two weeks before arrival - a month is recommended in summer. From Europe, visitors may fax the hostel directly, (7812) 277-5102, giving the full names of all vistors. passport numbers, dates of arrival and departure, and how they are traveling.

Contact is easier through the Finnish Youth Hostel Association, which is advising the Russian group. The phone in Helsinki is (3580) 694-0377: fax (3580) 693-1349.

The hostel also has a U.S. office in Caron's home town of Redondo Beach, California, phone 510-379-4316, fax 310-379-8420.

DOSTS

Luxury at a Price

Do expect to pay huge sums to stay in Russia's new luxurious Western-style hotels. A night for two can cost more than \$400 at some Moscow hotels.

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dachas. Some are open to question.

Cab Drivers

Don't hesitate to ask cab drivers to take you outside Moscow. Many places once offlimits are now open to foreigners.

Cold Showers

Do be ready to take cold showers in August in St. Petersburg hostels. That's because the municipal steam plant is turned off and there is no hot water.

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La Nuit du Marais. May 22-23: The third annual art festival, when the gallenes in the Marais neighborhood are open until late in the evening.

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Galerie Daniel Malingue (tel: 312.24.60). To July 30: "Nicholas de Stael: "Painting Takes Priority." Twenty paintings that are accompanied by some texts and letters perned by the artist.

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Over two hundred drawings, pastels, oils and lithographs by the contem-porary of Claude Monet.

UNITED STATES **New York**

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WALL STREET WATCH

Post-Scandal Salomon Has a New Personality

By Seth Faison Jr. New York Times Service

EWYORK - Salomon Inc.'s \$290 million settlement is more than a slap on the wrist, Wall Street executives and analysts say, but far less than a full frontal assault that could have taken the firm down, Still, Salomon's me in the Treasury-auction scandal has cost it far more than the

Bettered for nine months by what seemed like unending reverberations from the episode, Salomon has emerged a less agressive and less profitable company than it was a year ago—but it is alive.

was like John Wayne,

and the new firm

like Ozzie Nelson.

"All's well that ends," said Salomon's interim chairman, War-The old Salomon

ren E Buffett, through a solcesmen, expressing a relief that was apparently felt throughout the furn's senior

When Salomon's scandal broke in August, the firm was immediately compared with the imbroglio at Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., which paid

\$650 million in lines and penalties in 1989 after pleading guilty to six felony charges of violating securities laws. Drexel collapsed in

Once Mr. Buffett stepped in to replace Salomon's previous charman, John H. Gutfreund, and took charge of management, the core issue became one of whether the firm would be tagged

"After what happened to Drexel, we all knew that it would be hard to survive any criminal charges," said one Salomon execu-

in the latest trial involving Drenel, a federal prosecutor said Wednesday that Michael R. Milken, the former Drenel junk-bond chief who is serving a 10-year sentence for securities fraud, would be the leading prosecution witness against one of his former aides.

ESS IMPORTANT for Salomon, while hardly small, are the \$290 million fines and yet-to-be-determined other costs, which the firm said would be covered by \$200 million it set aside last year, and by a \$185 million pretax charge

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"It's a pretty serious fine," said John Keefe, an independent securities analyst. "All told, the legal and other charges may be one or two quarters worth of profits." In the quarter ended March 31, Salomon reported a \$190 million profit.

Mr. Keele said that Salomon's earning power had been cut back in several areas, like in underwriting of stock and bond

issues; and in lost personnel.

"What will be hard to undo is the slippage in the underwriting markets," he said. "The competition is already strong, and it's easy for conporate executives to just leave them off the list." The settlement also paves the way for Mr. Buffett, an Omahabased investor with a major stake in Salomon, to retreat from his formal positions at the firm with his own reputation enhanced. He said at a shareholder meeting in March that he would step down once the investigation was complete and search for a new,

independent claimman of Salomon, while the chief operating officer. Derycle C. Manghan, is expected to become chief executive of its amadiary, Salomon Brothers Inc.

Analysts credit Mr. Buffett with reorienting Salomon in both style and content and with an attitude of broad cooperation with

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"His openies wint a long way," said Perrin Long, a securities analyst if Trist of Michigan in Detroit.

Exemples at other Wall Street brokerages said the firm had shed its presides role as a bully trader, with vast amounts of capital to be

flered like muscles, and assumed a less appressive stance. A few executives recalled a characterization of Salomon's change

that has become popular within the firm: the old Salomon was like John Wayne, known for a swagger, and the new Salomon like Ozzie DUE DOT SO

"It's simply not the old Salomon," said one executive. "But it's probably a less volatile Salomon, and a more rational Salomon."

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Confidence in Thailand Down, Not Out

By Laurence Zuckerman

HONG KONG - The disturbances in Bangkok have hurt confidence in the already-troubled Thai economy, but the damage may be contained if violence does not erupt again, investors and analysts around the region pre-

dicted Thursday. Thailand's stock market surged 9 percent Thursday after three days of clashes. Economic life returned to normal as

Wednesday's late-night television appearance by King Bhumibol Adulyadej and the release of the opposition leader Chamlong Srimuang and hundreds of demonstrators detained by the army appeared to bolster the courage of both local and international investors. "If you want to go to Thailand and do business, you have to be prepared for some coups. It is kind of the order of the day," said

business association. But the spokesman also said that Japan, which supplied nearly a quarter of Thailand's private foreign investment last year, would probably curtail additional commitments to the country unless political stability was es-

a spokesman for the Keidanren, the Japanese

tablished quickly. "For companies that are considering entering Thailand, there is a negative impact," he said.

Meanwhile, investors moved back into the Stock Exchange of Thailand, sending most stocks up by their 10 percent price limit in the first minutes of trading. The SET index rose 61.30 points, or 9 percent, closing at 738.67 and wiping out Tuesday's 9 percent plunge.

"It was the reverse of the day before yesterday, when everything opened limit down," said George Morgan, country manager in Bangkok at Hoare Govett Investment Research Ltd.

Mr. Morgan and other analysts predicted the market would keep rising Friday and Monday. The prime minister, General Suchinda Kraprayoon, is expected to submit an amendment to the constitution barring any-one who has not been elected to the national assembly, such as himself, from serving as

A graceful retreat by General Suchinda, analysts say, will go a long way to restoring business confidence. But if he digs in his heels, new demonstrations, perhaps even more bloodshed, are likely.

does not like uncertainty. Right now, Thailand has both," said Bob Broadfoot, managing director of Political & Economic Risk Consul-

tancy Ltd. in Hong Kong. Even before the simmering political crisis burst into the open, Thailand's economy was suffering from growing pains. Double-digit growth in the late 1980s, combined with lax government planning, stretched the country's creaky infrastructure to the point where the economy had begun to choke.

Growth in gross domestic product fell to 8 percent in the last two years and the level of foreign-investment growth declined as labor costs and complaints about pollution, Bangkok's legendary traffic jams and backward telecommunications discouraged investors

"I don't think this is a major event for the economy but the economy was in a downturn anyway," said Marc Faber, a money manager in Hong Kong who invested heavily in Thai-land for several years, but has been bearish

Hardest hit by this week's events, analysts See RISK, Page 15

SEC Proposes Plan to Simplify **Mutual Funds**

By Diana B. Henriques develop products to attract more New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - The Securities and Exchange Commission unveiled Thursday a broad package of regulatory and legislative proposals that represent the most sweeping changes in the mutual fund marketplace in 50 years. But industry executives warned that the changes could bring new risks.

The staff proposals, introduced at a mutual fund industry confer-ence here by SEC Chairman Richard C. Breeden, would free the \$1.5 trillion industry to create novel kinds of funds, undertake broader and more creative advertising and

The goal of the proposals, Mr. Breeden said, is to make the regulatory framework for the fund industry and for other pooled investments "more flexible, more efficient and more modern" without compromising the protection of investors. But some industry executives and

institutional investors.

They would also open the fund

industry to greater foreign compe-

tition and could generate keener

retail price competition that, in the SEC staff's view, could ultimately produce lower fees for individual

advisers warned that many of these changes, together with their potential side effects, could also introduce more risk, more uncertainty and far more complexity into an industry that for decades has provided mil-lions of Americans with a simple, straightforward way to participate in the stock and bond markets.

"I have to wonder what kind of gain the world at large is going to achieve in exchange for the risk of unsettling a system of distribution that has been in place and worked well for 50 years," said Arnold D. Scott, senior executive vice president at Massachusetts Financial Services Co.

He and other industry executives were especially disturbed by the staff proposal to scrap a 20-yearold restriction on the sales fees that retail investors are charged when they buy a fund.

Under Section 22-d of the Investment Company Act, mutual fund shares can be sold only at the prices fixed in the fund's prospectus. The SEC staff has proposed eliminating that restriction, freeing dealers to sell mutual fund shares at prices lower than those set by the fund sponsor.

Whatever the plan might mean in terms of costs, it could produce a dramatic change in the way mutual fund shares are sold by encouraging the creation of a national secondary market where such shares would trade at fluctuating prices.

Ross Perot, Technology Angel and Market Player

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By Floyd Norris New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Ross Perot got rich in computers, and his current stock-market investments show a decided tilt toward technology companies. But he has also made money lend ing to R.H. Macy & Co., getting out at a profit before the retailer went into bankruptcy court. He also made millions speculating on the Japanese stock market.

Those are some of the items detailed in Mr. Perot's financial-disclosure form filed with the Federal Election Commission covering his in-

vestment activity last year.

The report shows that Mr. Perot, who is considering running for president, joined millions of other investors in sharply scaling back his short-term investments as interest rates plunged. While for many that meant taking money out of bank savings accounts, Mr. Perot sold millions of dollars in commercial paper issued by American and foreign companies for their short-term borrowing needs.

Mr. Perot also sold substantial quantities of common stocks in 1991. He eliminated positions in Marion Merrill Dow Inc., a drug company, reporting a capital gain of more than \$100,000. He also sold shares of NCR Corp., a computer company acquired by American Telephone & Telegraph Co., producing a gain of between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

Mr. Perot became a billionaire by starting a

computer-services company, Electronic Data Systems, with a \$1,000 investment. He took the company public and eventually sold it to General Motors Corp. for cash and stock valued at \$2.55 billion. With such a history, he has shown willingness to invest in other young technol ogy companies, both directly and through investments in venture capital partnerships.

He has also speculated widely. He reported large profits last year on the sale of real estate, airplanes, municipal bonds, currency futures and computer technology, as well as from common and preferred stocks.

One of his largest profits in 1991 came from an investment in Amtech Corp., a Dallas com-pany that developed computer-related products to aid in collecting highway tolls and identify-

Mr. Perot bought Amtech stock in 1987, two years before the company went public, a company spokeswoman said. The report shows that Mr. Perot sold his stock last year, making a

profit of more than \$1 million. He also turned a profit of at least \$50,000 selling shares in Xilinx Inc., a semiconductor company based in San Jose, California.

Mr. Perot also sold shares and stock options in Centocor Inc., a biotechnology concern based in Malvern, Pennsylvania, realizing capital gains of at least \$100,000 on the shares and at least \$5,000 on the options. The sales appear to have been well-timed; Centocor has run into problems this

year, encountering obstacles in bringing a new drug to market. But Mr. Perot still owned more than \$1 million in Centocor convertible bonds at the end of 1991, on which he suffered substantial losses if he has not sold them. He also turned a profit of at least \$50,000 last

year trading in stock options of Salomon Inc., the brokerage firm shaken by the Treasury bond scandal. He also reported capital gains of more than \$100,000 from trading in options on Treasury bond futures. Mr. Perot's filing was the most extensive anyone at the Federal Elections Commission

could remember, but the forms used by the government call for limited details for many investments. In addition, because capital gains are reported but capital losses are not, it is not clear whether many of Mr. Perot's investments have been profitable. In some cases, because the law says that filers

need only provide the types of financial instruments being used, it is impossible to know on which side of an investment question Mr. Perot placed his bet.

For example, Mr. Perot reported that at the end of 1991 he owned futures contracts for crude oil worth more than \$250,000, and that he owned more than \$1 million-worth of options on the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index. He had millions of dollars-worth of positions

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earnings contribution. As a result,

the industry's growth is likely to be gradual, driven by renewed sales of

mobile phones, camcorders, satellite

television equipment and other evo-

Japanese electronics makers also

appear to be losing leadership in

setting concepts for a new genera-

lutionary products.

Weak World Markets Squeeze Profit at Sony and Matsushita

By Steven Brull International Herald Tribune

TOKYO - The earnings of Japan's most powerful consumerelectronics companies were thrown into rewind last year, with Sony ics Association in Tokyo. "The Corp. posting its first-ever full-year companies are fundamentally operating loss at the parent level and Matsushita Electric Industrial

strong and getting stronger."

The results for the year to March ported Thursday.

After five years of growth pro-pelled by galloping global demand for products such as camcorders videocassette recorders, the two titans of Japan Inc. were humbled by a downturn in world marmaturation of their product lines.

The companies also suffered from a stronger Japanese currency and the debt burden of their billion-dollar forays into Hollywood in the 1980s. Yet the companies said conditions were likely to slowly improve in line with mild economic growth expected later this year.

petitors. "The relatively poor financial results are not a watershed but a nadir," said John Stern, who

Co. seeing its group net profit sliced in half, the companies research Thank, the companies regenerally in line with forecasts made in February and came as little surprise to investors.

Most notable was Sony's parent operating loss of 20.5 billion year (\$158.4 million), the first since the company was founded in 1946. It kets, which, unfortunately for prof-itability, coincided with the lion the year before. Net profit plunged 70.3 percent, to 20.7 billion yen. Matsushita, whose sales of Na-

brands makes it the world's largest consumer-electronics company, ons were likely to slowly improve suffered a 14 percent decline in Sony's group net firmed 2.7 persent, to 132.9 billion year, and a 29 percent slide or pretax, profit fell 25.5 percent, to 363.4 billion.

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consumer electronics were likely to ed States have made an end-run

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Another \$1 Billion Bond

TOKYO — Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. said Thursday that it was planning a \$1 billion global bond offering to help finance its \$6.6 billion acquisition of MCA Inc.

Akira Nagano, a spokesman for the consumer electronics company, said the issue would be sold largely to U.S. and European investors after July.

Bond traders said Matsushita is only the second Japanese company to sell a global bond, after Toyota Motor Corp. The bonds will be listed on the London Stock Exchange, the company said.

On Wednesday, Toyota issued a \$1 billion five-year Eurobond, priced at 101 205 and bearing a 6.875 percent coupon. The deal was reoffered at 99.58 percent to yield 38 basis points over U.S. Treasuries. The issue was quoted at about 98.14, to yield 7.19 percent, late

from subsidiaries, thanks largely to shares in Sony Music Entertainment tional, Panasonic and Technics contributions from its motion-picture and record companies in the United States.

(Bloomberg, AFP, Reuters)

(Japan) Inc. on the Tokyo Stock Exchange last November. Matsushita's group net profit skidded 49 percent, to 132.9 billion

Analysts said Sony, Matsushita away from becoming a mass-mar-nd other companies serious about ket item, and Europe and the Unit.

benefit from surviving the tough around Japan by pursuing their conditions that are thinning their own HDTV formats. ranks. NEC Corp., for example, a New digital audio recorders, to world leader in computer chips but debut this fall, likely will fare better. long an also-ran in consumer elec- But they will take at least a couple of tronics, has decided to merge some years before making a significant of its consumer product lines with Sanyo Corp. Toshiba Corp. is pull-ing out of audio and camcorders.

Although most players will hang in, the entire industry is rationalizing, paring profuse product lineups, lengthening product life cycles and trimming outlays for capital spending and research.

"Japanese companies have spent the last three years competing on market share, and now those that remain are going to reap the benefits," said Jeff Zavattero, an analyst at Jardine Fleming Securities. "The

trend now is going to be to make less and to stabilize prices." Japan's consumer-electronics companies seem to be lacking a uct. High-definition television introduced in Japan last year, is years

tion of products merging computers and consumer electronics, the multimedia products that many expect to be the industry's next big thing. Matsushita, Sony, Hitachi Ltd.: and others are considering giving, financial support to the joint venture between International Business Machines Corp. and Apple

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MARKET DIARY

Stoicism by Fed Weighs on Stocks

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches NEW YORK — U.S. stock prices fell Thursday, losing ground because the Federal Reserve Board has not reduced short-term interest rates and on the growing conviction that

it would not do so in the near future. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 15.13 points, to 3,378.71, and declining issues on the New

N.Y. Stocks

York Stock Exchange outnumbered advancers by about 11 to 5. Big Board volume fell to 182.19 million shares from 198.17 million traded on Wednesday.

Many investors had expected the Fed to lower interest rates after the Commerce Department said Wednesday that housing starts fell 17 percent in April, the largest onemonth decline in more than eight years. But a published report said the Fed's policy-setting Open Mar-ket Committee decided against a significant rate cut at its meeting Wednesday, and the central bank did not make a move on Thursday.

"Most of the market woke up to the fact that the Fed is not going to ease," said Robert Walberg, an analyst at MMS International.

"Another factor that pressured the Dow was its inability to close above 3.400," Mr. Walberg said. "It

day, the Dow reached 3,421 during | the day but closed at 3,394.

William LeFevre, a market analyst at Tucker Anthony, noted weakness in the Dow utility average. which fell 1.51 points, or 0.70 percent. to 211.94. This illustrated investor disappointment in the Fed's failure to ease. Those are the interest-rate sensitive stocks." he said.

The bellwether 30-year Treasury bond fell about 20/32 of a point. raising its yield to 7.87 percent from 7.81 percent on Wednesday.

Royal Dutch was the most active New York Stock Exchange issue, down 1: 10 83, following a Wednesday announcement that its Shell Canada unit reduced its purchase price for certain crude oil.

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Federated Department Stores was second, unchanged at 12. The retailer launched a secondary offer of 40 million shares at \$11.50 apiece.

General Motors was fourth, unchanged at 39. The automaker announced Wednesday the start of its global offering of 55 million shares

of common stock at \$39 a share.

Intel was the most active overthe-counter issue, easing 1/3 to 4712. Its stock has fallen more than 10 percent since it said it would lower prices on its 486SX computer chips. But the company told analysts that demand is strong and profit margins made some investors nervous and are firm, said an analyst at Merrill caused some selling. On Wednes- Lynch. (Reuters, Bloomberg, UPI) are firm, said an analyst at Merrill

Shift in Rate Outlook Gives Dollar a Boost

NEW YORK - The dollar ed May 11. surged against European currencies Thursday as short-term inter-

est rates firmed, dealers said. They noted that the dollar retraced some of its recent losses af-ter the newspaper story appeared. The view that U.S. rates might fall ter the Federal Reserve again signaled through its money-market operations that there was no

change in policy.

A Wall Street Journal report that the Federal Open Market Commit-

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mediate cut in short term interest rates also buoved the dollar. The dollar rose more than one-

and-a-half pfennig to close at 1.6168 Deutsche marks. from Bank of New York said the dollar 1.6006 DM at Wednesday's close. had been helped by the fact that It rose to 1.4848 Swiss francs from short rates in the United States 1.4700 and to 5.4335 French francs picked up while German short from 5.3845. The pound fell to rates rose only slightly. The \$1.8160 from \$1.8310.

from 129.550 on Wednesday.

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strong \$5.4 billion in the week end-

Albert Soria of Kansallis-Osake-Pankki said short dollar positions established in anticipation of a further Fed easing were unwound af-

was reinforced earlier in the week by a sharp drop of 17 percent in U.S. housing starts for April. But data on initial claims for unemployment compensation released Thursday showed a drop of 20,000 claims to 406,000 in the week ended May 9. That was a stronger jobs number

than analysts had expected.

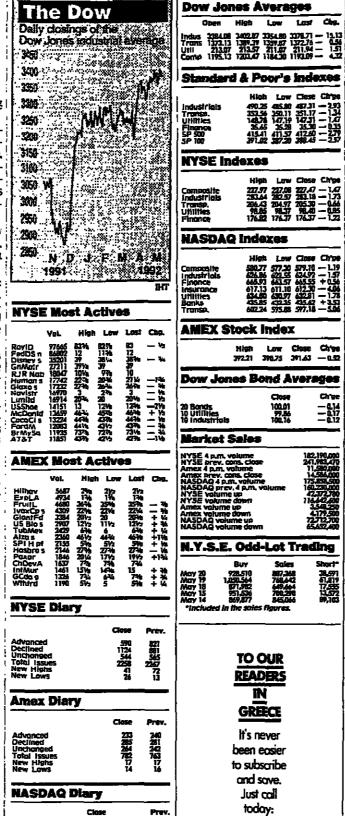
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The dollar gained less sharply against the yen, to 130.300 yen

Bundesbank, at a meeting of its policy-making council, left key official rates steady.

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Siemens Drops Chip Plant

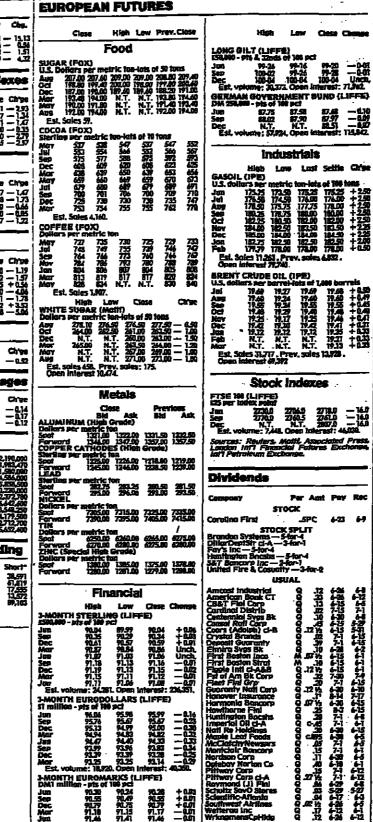
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in Athens.

BONN — Siemens AG said Thursday it had abandoned plans to build a factory to produce 64-megabit memory chips, under development with International Business Machines Corp., but would produce such chips at existing plants.

Siemens said market research had shown that worldwide demand for memory chips would begin to subside after reaching a high point for one-

Earlier this year, Siemens said a decision on where to produce the new 64-megabit chip would be made during the second half. But Siemens officials had made it clear that the cost of building such a new plant was extremely high and that IBM and Siemens were considering bringing in additional partners to finance the cost.



Bush Economist Predicts Growth Will Exceed 2.2%

WASHINGTON (NYI) - The administration's chief economist, and Thursday that as a result of recent signs of an economic pickup the White House would soon raise its growth forecast for this year.

Michael J. Boskin, chamman of the President's Council of Econom Advisors, said that lower interest rates and increases in business and consumer confidence were among the reasons the administration would revise apward the forecast of 22 percent growth in gross domeric.

product it made in January.

Some economists said that Mr. Boskin was seeking to bolster President
George Bash's re-election chances by predicting faster growth, but Mr. Boskin said the White House was merely revising its forecasts upward the way many private sector economists have. After noting that the economy endured a long slowdown, he said, "It's now resumed a pattern of more."

robust growth."

Mr. Boslon pointed to several reasons that had prevented a siring recovery, including cuts in the military budget and the high debt burdens, that many households and businesses have accumulated.

Japan Asserts Chip Pact Is Working

NEW YORK (NYI) — Japanese semiconductor makers issued a report Thursday that attempted to put the best face on the troubled rade relations between high-tech chipmakers in the United States and Japan. The report is a response to an opposing document produced last month by the U.S. Semiconductor Industry Association that bluntly said the 1991 U.S. Japan Semiconductor Arrangement was not working. The Japanese report said that steady progress had been made since 1986, when the first agreement was signed, and more progress would have been made had it not been for a recession that has blunted sales.

Both sides are jockeying as U.S. chipmakers prepare to visit Japan near month for consultations with government and industry officials. Some American semiconductor executives have been arguing that the U.S. government should issue sanctions against Japanese chipmakers.

Morgan Stanley Profit \$140 Million

NEW YORK (AP) — Morgan Stanley Group Inc., parent of the Wall Street firm, on Thursday reported profit of \$139.1 million in the first quarter, ended April 30, of its financial year.

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The quarterly report was the first since Morgan Stanley changed from a calendar year to a financial year ending Jan. 31. For the February-April period, Morgan Stanley reported revenue of \$808.4 million. In the first three months of 1991, it canned \$120.1 million on revenue of \$747.8 million. The change in its financial reporting year could give Morgan Stanley a tactical advantage. Wall Street firms generally make major changes in their balance sheets at the end of each quarter. That environment could give Morgan an opportunity to trade counter to the market, creating profit opportunities, according to a Morgan Stanley executive.

Raytheon in Deal for Satellite Dishes

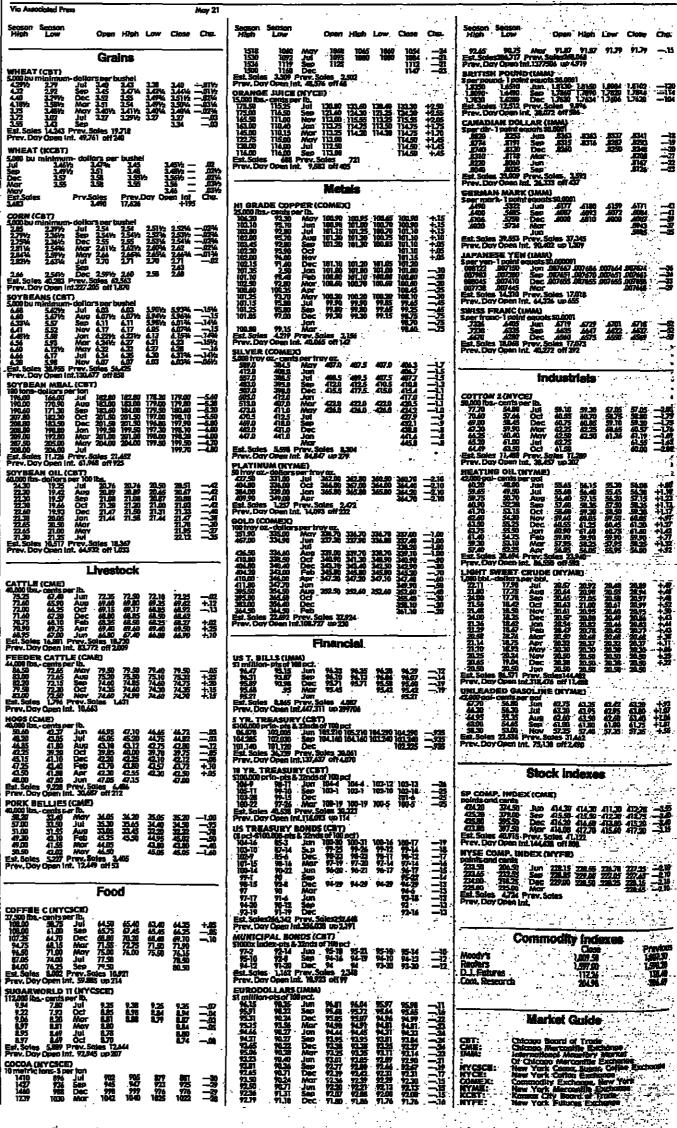
LEXINGTON, Massachusetts (Bloomberg) — Raytheon Co. said. Thursday that it had agreed with New Japan Radio Ltd. to make chips designed to reduce the cost of satellite television dishes by 10 percent: The chips will be produced by Raytheon's Advanced Device Center and used in assemblies made by New Japan for satellite dishes. The chips, called MMIC chips, convert microwave frequency to ultra-high frequency.

For the Record

Computer Associates International Inc., the world's biggest independent developer of mainframe computer software, said net income rose 48 percent in the quarter ended March 31, to \$57.74 million. (Bloomberg)

Brazil and its bank creditors will agree to restructure the country's \$40 billion in debt to foreign banks "in a matter of weeks," said Citicorp's vice chairman, William Rhodes. (Biomberg)

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BT Posts Its First Profit Drop Recession, Competition and Price Cuts Cited

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LEMPON - British Telecommunications PLC.

Action from the forest pattern of a pattern of a the most profitable telephone company in the world. on Thursday announced a slight decline in earnings. the first yearly drop since its privatization in 1984. Britain's main telephone company blamed econimic hard times, competition and the impact of price cutting regulation for the 0.1 percent slip in press profit to £3.07 billion (\$5.66 billion) for the year ended in March.

The results showed that BT earned around £97 per second in gross profit. Industry analysis had forecast a slightly higher author makes makes and the control produced language author that blumby safe author that blumby safe author may make and working to

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the British economy was "still uncertain, whilst a neigh regulatory environment and increasing com-petition are inescapable." pention are mescapanie.

Recession put a stranglehold on inland call revenue, which was little changed at £5.17 billion. Domestic call volume grew less than 1 percent, which analysts said in part reflected competition and the tough business environment for BT clients.

Overall, revenue rose 1.4 percent, to £13.3 billion, while operating costs advanced 3.1 percent, to

International call revenue fell 1 percent, to £1.79 billion, but volume rose 4 percent. The benefit from volume growth, however, was wiped out by price cuts inspired by the British Office of Telecommunications for outgoing international calls.
The oversight body, known as Oftel, is completing its review of pricing policy at BT, which will

take effect in August 1993. BT's price increases currently are limited to 6.5 percentage points less than the inflation rate, and some analysts said the cap could be tightened even

further, to inflation minus 7.25 points. BT's main rival, Mercury Communications Ltd., has taken a sizable bite out of the City of London market, while a large number of smaller companies are clamoring for a share in the domestic market following the government's recent announcement that the BT-Mercury dropoly would end.

You can't open a newspaper or watch television without seeing another group of people hoping to get into the market and have a go at BT," said Doug Hawkins, telecommunications analyst at Smith New Court Securities. The company has announced plans to cut as

many as 24,000 jobs during the current year, including 20,000 people expected to leave under a voluntary-release plan. BT's shares rose 8 pence on the London Stock

worth millions.

(Reiners, UPI, Bloomberg)

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AEG Sees Recovery After Loss

FRANKFURT - The German

electronics concern AEG AG on Thursday reported huge losses from office products in 1991 but said its move to drop this business had paved the way for a return to tiously optimistic at the company's

AEG, 80 percent held by Daimler-Benz AG, said its group loss more than tripled in 1991, to 624 million Deutsche marks (\$386.9 million), from a 205 million DM

man, Ernst Georg Stöckl, said the loss was due mainly to the decision to get out of its Olympia office products business, which cost 948 million DM. Olympia had a further operating loss of 140 million DM. But Mr. Stockl said the move should enable AEG to return to

profitability right away. In the absence of Olympia, revenuc this year should total about 12 billion DM, down from 1991's 14 billion, Mr. Stockl said.

In addition, he said, orders for the first four months of 1992 totaled 4.1 billion DM and revenue rose 6 percent, adjusted for the loss of Olympia sales, to 3.3 billion DM.

Fiat's Deal in Poland

Reuters MILAN - The stock of Fiat SpA jumped more than 5 percent on Thursday after the Italian automaker announced a \$2 billion acquisiness of Poland's state-owned FSM.

the plant, highly automated by East European standards, would guarantee Fiat a firm hold in Eastern markets that are likely to grow

Continental Predicts Return to Profit in '92 Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

HANNOVER. Germany -Continental AG forecast Thursday improved results for 1992, but indicated it may be headed for another confrontation with Pirelli Sp.A over control of the German tiremaker.

Hubertus von Grünberg, Continental's chief executive, was cauannual news conference, forecasting "clearly black" earnings for the year.

But he warned that Pirelli's latest bid to topple Continental's only takeover defense — a 5 percent limit on voting rights — was seen as unfriendly and a threat to the company's independence. Mr. von Grünberg hinted that Pirelli's actions could derail Conti-

nental's plans to buy some technical product units from the Italian firm. Pirelli directly and indirectly controls 39 percent of Continental's capital, but its influence is limited by the voting-rights cap. Firelli was left holding the stake after its ill-

fated takeover bid for Continental.

he expected full-year group sales to exceed 10 billion DM, up from 9.4 billion DM in 1991. "In terms of both sales and earnings, this year has started better than the last one," Mr. von Grünberg said. For 1991, the company posted a group net loss of 128.2 million DM.

the first four months of 1992 totaled

3.32 billion Deutsche marks (\$2.08

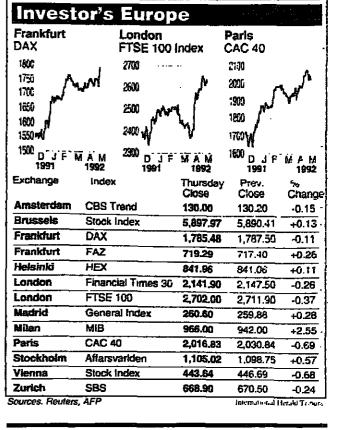
billion), up 11 percent from the pre-

vious year. Mr. von Grünberg said

Continental said its European tire and technical-product divisions would report higher profits this year, while the North American General Tire division was expected to at least halve its operating loss from around \$130 million

Mr. von Grünberg said Conti-nental planned a 150 million DM capital increase to strengthen its capital base.

(Reuters. Bloomberg)



INVEST: Perot Likes Technology and Speculation

Staties changed in the February in the Morgan State major change in the Morgan State major change in the February in the Morgan State major change in the Morgan State m (Continued from first finance page) investments in two index options whose value would be determined by whether the dollar rose or fell against the Swiss franc, the Japa-gest year and the Canadian dollar. But there was no indication whether he had bet for or against the

American corrency. James Squires, a spokesman for than \$1 million. If those contracts
Mr. Perot, declined to say on which were also betting on lower Japa-

sme whether Mr. Perot was betting cause Japanese stock prices have far or against Japanese stocks, fallen rapidly. However, he reported profits of

in various currency contracts, contracts on the Nikkei 225-stock average in 1991, a year in which the Japanese stock index declined.

investments in two other Nikkei index contracts, each worth more side Mr. Perot had invested.

nese prices, he would have made substantial profits this year, be-

Mr. Perot said his real estate more than \$1 anilion each from holdings, including land parcels in

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ELECTRONICS: Weak Profits

(Continued from first finance page)
Sony's U.S. Chief to Leave helping IBM and Apple consolidate a lucrative leadership position. The rationalization of Japan's

consumer-electronics industry, however, may be helping it to lay the groundwork for dominating multimedia equipment. Instead of squandering money competing against itself, it is saving the difference and investing it in strategic areas such as flat-screen displays, tion of 90 percent of the auto busimedia, scanners and telecommuni cations equipment.

"Trailing the U.S. in the development of new product may be their style," Mr. Stern said. "They'll come in later with superior manufacturing."

Masaaki Morita, younger brother of the Sony Corp. chairman Akio Morita, is to step down as chief operating officer of Sony USA on June 26. Bloomberg Business News reported from Tokyo.

Mr. Morita is to become chairman and president of Sony Life Insurance Co. Along with the move, he is to give up his titles as deputy president and representative director of Sony Corp. He joined Sony Corp. in 1951 and has been at Sony USA since 1987.

Ken Iwaki, currently deputy president of Sony Corp., is to re-place Mr. Morita at Sony USA.

Very briefly:

• Deutsche Bank AG said operating profit in the first four months of the year was 10 percent higher than one-third of 1991 profit, without providing a value, but the company's dividend was unlikely to be raised

• The Netherlands's cabinet decided to cut the standard Dutch valueadded tax rate to 17.5 percent from 18.5 percent in October instead of January as had been planned, sources at the Finance Ministry said.

Pechiney SA, the French state-owned aluminum company, said revenue in the first quarter fell 3.3 percent, to 17.01 billion francs (\$3.17 billion), reflecting sales falls from its aluminum and international marketing

 France and Germany will sign a pact on Friday to begin work on linking their high-speed rail systems, cutting travel times almost in half; the

Paris-Frankfurt run, for example, would fall to 3.5 from six hours. • Empresa Nacional de Electricidad SA, the 75 percent state-owned Spanish utility, agreed to a stake swap of up to 10 percent with RWE Energie AG of Germany, allowing for joint projects. Reuters, Bloomberg

RISK: Investors Reassess Thailand (Continued from first finance page) by the political turmoil. Mr. Mos-

say, will be the country's tourist gan of Hoare Govett has revised his sector, which accounts for nearly 5 prediction of 7.6 percent economic pancy and the rest of the year looks bleak.

The next critical area affected will be foreign investment, which last year and was already suffering from competition from Malaysia to areas outside the capital. That is the most crucial iss

The export beam was very much predicated on the heavy formuch predicated on the heavy forlegal investment we had in last few years, manely from Japan," said Switzerland in Tokyo.

David Rotinson, head of research at Baing Research Ltd. in Bang the country's adopting a stable political system that is not smaller to the country's adopting a stable political system that is not smaller.

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percent of GDP. Many hotels are growth this year down to 7.2. already reporting single-digit occu- "That's still pretty good," he said. "That's still pretty good," he said. Indeed, some analysts say the slowdown is a blessing in disguise, giving the economy time to catch its breath and Thai leaders the opaccounted for 29 percent of GDP portunity to plan the country's development by diverting investment

> That is the most crucial issue for Thailand if it wants to make it in the

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To the unitholders of CS PRIME METAL

Merger with CS GOLD MINES

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Notice is hereby given to shareholders of an ORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING to be held on Tuesday, June 2, 1992, at 11.00 a.m., at the Head Office of

> BANQUE PARIBAS (SUISSE) S.A. Geneva - 2, place de Hollande

TO CONSIDER FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- Report of the Board of Directors, presentation of the financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1991, and Auditors'
- Discussion, approval of said reports and proposals to allocate the net profit
- 3. Release and discharge of the Board of Directors.
- 5. Election of the Auditors.

Shareholders may obtain admission cards to the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting at BANQUE PARIBAS (SUISSE) S.A., UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND and SWISS CREDIT BANK from May 22 to June 1, 1992, noon, by depositing their shares or a receipt for such deposit with

The Annual Report, including the income statement, the balance sheet, the Auditors' report and the proposals by the Board of Directors regarding the allocation of the fiscal year's net profit is available to the shareholders at the Head Office and subsidiaries of the aforementioned

Geneva, May 21, 1992

For the Board of Directors

P. Desmarais Sr S. Tapernoux Chairman Secretary

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Messrs. Shareholders are invited to attend on Wednesday.

June 3, 1992 at 11.00 a.m. at 69 route d'Esch in Luxembourg the

Annual Shareholders' General Meeting

with the following agenda.

1 Directors' Report. 2 Statutory Auditors' Report

3. Approval of the Consolidated and Parent Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 1991.

l. Appropriation of 1991 net income 5. Discharge of Directors and Statutory Auditors.

6. Directors' and Statutory Auditors' fees for the year ended December 31, 1991.

7. Election of the members of the Board of Directors and Statutory Auditors. 8. Authorization to the Board of Directors to repurchase

Company's shares. Messrs, Shareholders are also invited to attend on Wednes day, June 3,1992 immediately after the close of the Annual

Shareholders' General Meeting, at 69 route d'Esch in

Luxembourg the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders

with the following agenda: Renewal of the authorization to the Board of Directors for a period of five years from the date of publication of the minutes of this extraordinary shareholders' meeting to, at its discretion, implement the capital increase

resolved by the extraordinary shareholders' meeting of June 3.1987, so as to raise the company's capital to two hundred and titty million dollars of the United States (U.S. \$250,000,000) represented by twelve million live hundred thousand (12.500,000) ordinary shares and by twelve million five hundred thousand (12,500,000) preterred shares of ten dollars of the United States

Authorization to the Board of Directors lo issue up to 1,050,000 ordinary shares and up to

(U.S. \$ 10.-) each.

1 450,000 preferred shares without recognizing any preferential subscription right in favour of holders of ordinary or preferred shares:

to recognize for the remaining 1.050,000 ordinary shares and 1.450 000 preferred shares to be issued within the company's authorized capital a preferential subscription right in favour of holders of the same class of shares only, with the complete exclusion of any preferential subscription right in favour of the holders of the other class of shares, or to extend the preferential subscription right of the holders of one class of shares in whole or in part to the holders of the other class of shares

Adding a corresponding provision to article 5.3, of the Granting to the Board of Directors full power and

authority to, subject to the provision of article 5.3 of the company's articles, from time to time and at its discretion, issue additional shares of either class and correspondingly increase the company's capital up to the total amount of the authorized capital, determine the terms and conditions of subscription and payment of the new shares, including payment of a premium, and accept payment for the new shares in cash or in kind or convertible debt instruments.

Article 7: inserting an additional paragraph between

paragraphs 1 and 2 for the purpose of incorporating

into the company's articles the provision of article

32-3(2) of the Luxembourg company law providing for the exclusion, in certain circumstances, of the preferential subscription right of shareholders: - Article 10: providing for the election of one Vice-Charman of the Board of Directors.

4. Amending the company's arricles as follows

Article 15: acknowledging that paragraph 1 is not any longer in force and deleting the numbering of

Article 21: adjusting the wording of that article to the amendment of article 10, as proposed. in order to be able to attend the ordinary and or the extraordinary general meetings, holders of bearer shares will have to deposit their bearer shares live clear days before the date of the meeting, at the Registered Office of

the company or with one of the following banks:

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in the Netherlands. Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank in Belgium; Banque Bruxelles Lambert. Holders of registered shares will have to inform the Company

within the same time lapse of their intention to attend the The shareholders are requested to comply with article 20

of the anicles of incorporation. For the extraordinary meeting of shareholders, the preferred shares entitle to vote on items 1, 2, 3 and 4 (but only for the proposed amendment to article 7) of the agenda. For the

e draordinary meeting of shareholders there is a quorum of at least 50 % of the ordinary shares of the company in issue, and the resolutions will require the concurrence of two thirds of the total number of ordinary shares represented at the meeting. To the extent, the preferred shares entitle to vote, the requirements as to quorum and majority are

Shareholders may on and after May 26.1992, inspect at the registered office of the company the annual report and

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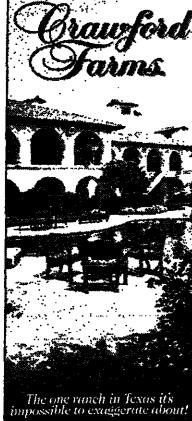
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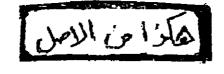
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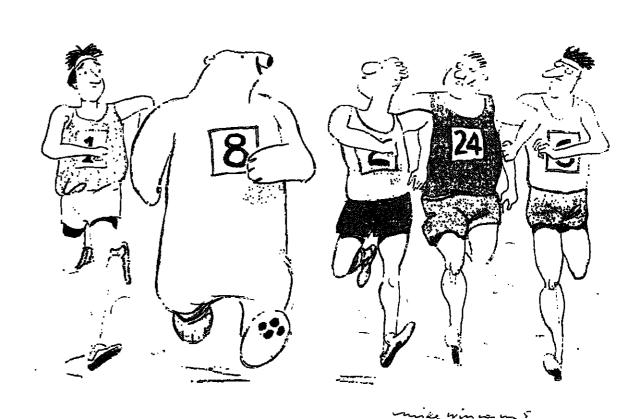
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U.S. Limits Rates Weaker Banks Can Pay

By Steven Greenhouse

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WASHINGTON — The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. has placed new limits on the interest rates that the weakest U.S. banks and savings-and-loan institutions can offer customers, a step toward re-regulating interest rates that will make it easier for strong banks to grow and harder for some weak ones to survive.

The new rules, which stem from a banking law passed by Congress in 1991, separate the 14.370 U.S. banks and savings and loans into three classes, based on their ability to absorb losses. Only the financially healthiest institutions will automatically be allowed to offer interest rates that are higher than the average rates paid by institutions in their local areas.

The rules, which will take effect June 16, will bar the weakest banks and savings and loans from paying higher-than-average interest rates to attract deposits. That was a common practice in the 1980s, when time savings and loans grew by paying premiums for deposits that allowed them to make bigger and riskier loans. The tactic engendered a hot-money market in which individual deposits and those collected

by brokers chased the highest rates.

The practice helped cause the savings-and-loan crisis to snowball: As loan losses mounted. some savings and loans kept bidding up interest rates to attract deposits in order to stay affoat.
As they delayed their demise, losses continued driving up the cost of the savings-and-loan

Most of the banking industry will not be immediately affected by the new rules, analysts said Thursday, primarily because the rates are generally at their lowest point in many years.

But among the institutions that will have to shed millions of dollars in higher interest bearing deposits are Maryland National Bank, American Security Bank, Massachusetts Co. and First American Bank of New York, all of which were below the new capital guidelines at the end of last year, according to an analysis by Sheshunoff Information Services.

Based on the year-end results, another larger group of institutions will have to get waivers from the regulators if they are to continue to hold higher-yielding deposits, according to the analysis. These include Chase Manhattan to use brokers or offer higher-than-average in-Bank, Bankers Trust, Manufacturers Hanover

Frust Co., Nationsbank and First Union. Banking officials said the new classifications for U.S. banks might be used by regulators to determine which financial institutions would pay higher premiums for federal deposit insure, along the lines of a recent proposal by the FDIC. The categories may also determine the banks that might some day be allowed to expand into the securities or insurance businesses. "We feel this decision is very significant," said Christopher Reick, a spokesman for the

Only the healthiest institutions will automatically be allowed to offer interest rates that are higher than average.

American Bankers Association. "It will have future implications on all kinds of other issues." C. C. Hope, a member of the FDIC board, protested the new rules, saying it would be improper for the agency to take the weighty step of getting back into the business of regular-

FDIC officials estimated that 8,900 of the 12,300 U.S. commercial banks would be classified as well capitalized, 3,000 as adequately capitalized, and 400 as undercapitalized

Of the 2.070 savings and loans, 1,150 of them would be categorized as well capitalized, 580 as adequately capitalized and 330 as undercapitalized. Individual institutions were not named. The FDIC said a higher percentage of banks in the American heartland would be classified as well-capitalized because they traditionally

we been very careful about their capital bases. Under the rules, the weakest, or undercapitalized, institutions will be barred from using brokers as well as offering high rates, while a

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at which shares of the Fund have recently been trading. The Fund's professional advisors have been asked to investigate over the next few months appropriate capital structures, including the possibility of convert-

ing the Fund into an open-ended Fund. These will be reviewed by the Directors and any restructuring proposals which are recommended by the Directors will be submitted to shareholders at an Extraordinary General

The date of the Extraordinary General Meeting is likely to be May 1993

which could enable the Fund to be restructured with effect from 1 July 1993, the first practicable date for the Fund to permit redemptions. Prior to

that date, the Fund may only permit redemptions if each and every

shareholder votes on the proposal and all 100 percent vote in favour of it.

The large number of smaller shareholdings on the share register and the

geographical diversity of registered addressees suggest that a 100 percent

vote by shareholders is extremely unlikely. The implementation of such a

proposal after July 1st 1993 will require the approval of a resolution passed

by a 75 percent majority at a meeting at which not less than 50 percent of the shares have been voted. These voting requirements are entrenched in the

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According to the FDIC, 800 of the 12,300 commercial banks and 260 of the 2,070 savings and loans now accept brokered deposits. Under current rules, undercapitalized institutions can receive a waiver to accept brokered or highinterest-rate deposits, but once the new rules go into effect they will be unable to do so.

FDIC officials acknowledge that the new rules may drive some of weak savings and loans under and force the federal government to step in and run them. But these officials say Congress wanted the FDIC to make sure that banks and savings and loans abandoned the un-healthy practice of living off costly brokered

Banking experts said it was not unwise or unhealthy to allow well-capitalized banks to use brokered or high-interest deposits. The new rules will give well-capitalized banks greater flexibility to expand than other banks.

The rules define well-capitalized banks as those with capital exceeding 10 percent of their risk-adjusted assets and whose core capital, like retained earnings or money paid in for common stock, exceeds 5 percent of their total assets. Well-capitalized banks must also not have been classified as troubled by federal regulators.

This definition is considerably more stringent than the 1988 Basel agreement signed in Basel, Switzerland, setting capital-adequacy standards for the world's banks. Under that agreement, a bank's capital must be at least 8 percent of its risk-adjusted assets.

The rules also state that an undercapitalized bank or savings and loan is one that fails to meet the minimum capital requirement of its principal federal regulator. This generally means an institution will be classified as under-capitalized if its capital is less than 8 percent of its risk-adjusted assets.

Under the new rules, an adequately capital-ized institution would have capital that repre-sents 8 to 10 percent of its risk-adjusted assets.

Thursday's Prices

NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time.
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for the group, the Advanced Televi-sion Research Consortium, be-cause the officials overseeing the competition said they would not give it extra time to complete test-ing. If some tests are not done, they added, the consortium's evaluation could be inherently weaker than that of other systems in the race.
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of 1993. The winner of the competition will be in a prime position to manufacture the television sets, cameras and studio equipment for high-definition television

Center in Fairfax, Virginia, is scheduled from June 3 to July 28. The consortium's chief rivals are a

team consisting of General Instrument Corp. and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a team of Zenith Electronics and American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

A fourth competitor is NHK, the Japanese broadcasting company, though its systems is not consid-

though its systems is not coman-ered likely to win because it is based on analog technology. All the other systems are digital.

James Carnes, president of the Samoff center, said his group had run into difficulties integrating components of the system. He said the delay should not be more than the delay should not be more than two weeks. But Peter Fannon, executive director of the television testing center, said that even a one-week delay would make it unlikely that all tests would be completed.

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Japan Trading Houses Expect No Relief National Australia Stars

TOKYO - Profits at Japan's big trading companies avoided disaster in a bad year, they reported Tassaday. But the companies do not expect things to get any better in the year that

began on April 1.

Eight of the nine largest Japanese trading houses, several of which sit at the heart of keletist business groups, reported declines in profit of between 10 and 30 percent in the year like March 31. More of the comments are ended March 31. Most of the companies said profits for the current year would either continne lower or remain flat.

Analysis say the modest profit forecast for the content year for many of the trading houses is based on the assumption that Japan's economy will bottom out in the first half of the minent year. If economic recovery takes longer, cantent year, it explicitly recovery takes longer, profits may be hit even harder, they said.

Thus, some of the company forecasts "may be a little overly optimistic," said Patricia Jennings, an analyst at Baring Securities.

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Of the nine trading houses, only one. Nichimen Corp., recorded a current profit. Nichimen said profit for the year was up 39.4 percent to

As the nucleus of Japan's powerful Mitsubi-18.34 billion yen (\$142 million), but that was mostly because its result was padded by a sale of securities. Nichimen expects to record a decline

of 37.28 percent in current profit this year. The other eight Japanese trading houses are C. Itoh & Co., Mitsui & Co., Sumitomo Corp., Marubeni Corp., Mitsubishi Corp., Nissho Iwai

Corp., Tomen Corp. and Kanematsu.

Most of the trading houses listed declining sales linked to a sluggish economy in Japan and abroad as the primary reason for the decline in profits. Marketing costs and management expenses also are into profits, as did the cost of raising funds in a high-interest-rate environment, the companies said.

Mitsubishi Corp., the largest of the nine, charted a decline in current profit of 8.9 percent, to 85.9 billion yen, on sales of 15.70 trillion yen. But the company said dividend

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shi conglomerate, Mitsubishi Corp. is a major shareholder in dozens of group companies. It said profit for the year ending March 31, 1993, was likely to decline by another 18.5 percent, to 70 trillion yen, on sales of 16 trillion yen.

Sumitomo Corp. said current profit for the year ended in March declined 18.1 percent, to 63.25 billion yen, on sales of 18.78 trillion yen. Sumitomo expects current profit to rise 4.34 percent to 66 billion yen this year.

C. Itoh, the third-largest of Japan's traders, said profit fell 16.7 percent, to 45.28 billion yea, on sales of roughly 20 trillion yea for the year ended in March. The decline was less severe than the 20 percent to 25 percent drop analysts had projected earlier because of the company's large exposure to Japan's depressed real estate market. Sales of securities helped to boost profit. The company expects flat profit in the current year.

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Amid Banking Gloom Compiled by Our Staff From Disposches SYDNEY - National Australia Bank underlined Thursday its reputation for solidity by reporting a 12.3 percent rise in first-half profit

Net profit for the six months to March 31 rose to 405.6 million Australian dollars (\$307.3 million). helped by a 9 percent fall in doubtful-debt charges, to 412.6 million dollars, the bank said.

amid hard times for the industry.

The result was in marked contrast to that of National Australia's bigger rival, Westpac Banking Corp., which on Wednesday surprised the market with a 1.67 bilion dollar half-year loss.

Operating conditions in Nation-Australia's major markets of Australia, Britain and Ireland remained difficult in its latest halfyear, the bank said. Major features included a 9.3 percent rise in the Australian banking contribution and a turnaround in the performance of the group's Australian

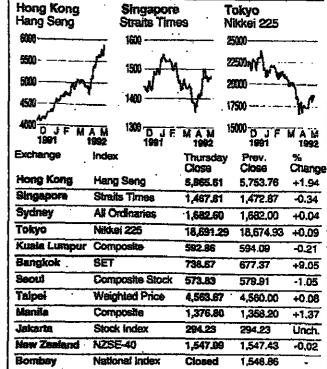
Demand for credit was soft, particularly in the business/commercial sector, and assets grew only 2.9 percent due to subdued lending, said the managing director, Don Argus. The profit improvement reflected continued growth in housing loans in Australia and cost controls due to lower staff levels in

Australia and Britain, he said. National Australia's stock price rose 4 cents, to 7.97 dollars, as the bank maintained its dividend at 22 (Reuters, AFP)

■ Stocks Edge Higher

The Australian stock market rebounded from early lows to finish barely higher, Reuters reported, with the new media listing. Australian Provincial Newspapers, the

main highlight.
The All Ordinaries Index edged up 0.6 of a point to close at 1,682.6. Brokers said demand for media stocks had offset earlier negative sentiment sparked by Westpac's



Taiwan Eases Investment

Agence France-Presse

TAIPEI - Taiwan will remove a 38-year ban on selected foreign investment in an economic liberalization, Investment Commission

officials said Thursday. Economics Minister Vincent Siew on Wednesday instructed the commission to scrap the "negative list" covering 391 items that had been barred from foreign investment, the officials said.

The restrictions, applying to such industries as trade, sugar, salt, fuels, agriculture and fishing, had been imposed because of concerns about cultural traditions, public security, monopoly threats and

The planned liberalization, aimed at reviving Taiwan's declining foreign investment, is in line with the spirit of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the officials said.

Taiwan has been seeking admission to GATT as a customs territory.

Seoul Foresees an Easing of Inflation

SEOUL — South Korea's top economic policymaker said Thursday that the nation's two chief economic problems, inflation and the trade deficit, showed signs of easing

Deputy Prime Minister Choi Gak Kyu predicted consumer price rises would run at 8 percent this year and 5 percent to 6 percent in 1993, compared with last year's 9.6 percent, the highest in 10 years. Also, the current-account deficit would be reduced to \$8 billion this year and \$5 billion next year, from a record \$9 billion in 1991, he said.

Very briefly:

Investor's Asia

• The Hang Seng index of Hong Kong blue chips rose 111.85 points, or 1.94 percent, to a record 5,865.61 on expectations of an interest-rate cut Friday and of money pouring in from U.S. clients and from Thailand.

Crédit Lyonnais Securities Asia launched the CLSA All China Index. which it called the first index to track all stocks on China's two fleetgling markets on a daily basis; the index, with an April 3, 1991, base of 1,000 points, rose 20.3 percent Thursday to 3,295.7.

Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. applied for government approval to lower its long-distance charges in an effort to compete with three other domestic telephone companies.

• Phillips Japan Ltd. said it would sell a digital compact audio cassette recorder for \$884 starting in mid-September, below the \$1,038 price that Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. has announced for a similar product. AFP, Reuters, UPI, Bloomberg

Shanghai Stock Prices Unshackled

Agence France-Presse

HONG KONG — The Shanghai Stock Exchange will abolish restrictions on the fluctuation of share prices and allow them to float

freely, a pro-Beijing newspaper reported Thursday.

Following approval from the Shanghai City People's Bank, the exchange will end the curbs that prevent its 12 listed shares from rising or falling more than 5 percent, the Ta Kung Pao reported.

The move is designed to show that the market, one of China's two official stock exchanges set up last year, has matured, it said.

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Padres Make 6th Fatal for Mets

By Joe Sexton

New York Times Service It was an inning ugly enough to for a 9-4 score and the night's ver-

disfigure more than a single game. The episode in ineptitude in the sixth inning a horror show that cost the New York Mets six runs and a 12-6 less to the Padres on Wednesday night in San Diego, is bound further to dismay management and demoralize a bullpen in

The Meis, leading by 4-3 and having been given a solid start from the man charged with the intimidating task of taking Bret Saberhagen's turn in the rotation, imploded in a circus of hits and ignominy as the Padres transformed the scoreboard from 4-3 to 9-4.

The entire assault came against Mets relievers, a corps under siege all season and depleted of one of

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their rare reliable talents because of Waily Whitehurst's insertion as the night's starter for the injured Sa-

Tim Burke, the right-hander whose sinker has been strafed off and on from the season's first week. came on to start the sixth and departed having retired nothing but the club's chances for victory. scorched for four hits and four

Paul Gibson, the left-hander who can almost never survive an appearance without suffering damage, was taken over the fence for the crushing three-run homer by Tony Fernandez.

fielder D. J. Dozier's poor decision fly out to right field to end it. to throw to third — his first of two Giants 3. Pirates 1: The ho

A Benito Santiago single scored one run, and Craig Shipley's subsequent single gave the Padres the for his fourth save, lead at 5-4. Burke, his earned run

Dodgers 5, Cubs 3 average inflated from 2.31 to 5.40.

was vanked for Gibson. Gibson, who had another run score on a ground out, came within a strike of escaping the inning with the bullpen's humiliation great but

not epic. But Fernandez jettisoned a 3-2 curveball over the wall in left

The rest was the baseball equivalent of piling on, as Sheffield homered and the Padres tacked on three more runs off Eric Hillman, a rookie, in the seventh and eighth

In other games Wednesday, The Associated Press reported:

Expos 6, Reds 5: Marquis Grissom's two-run single capped a fourrun rally in the ninth inning as Montreal surged back to stop Cin-

The Reds had come back from a 2-0 deficit to go ahead. 5-2, in the seventh when they sent 11 batters to the plate. But the Expos responded against Cincinnati's top relievers. Norm Charlton and Rob

Charlton, who came on in the eighth, allowed singles by Ivan Cal-deron and Larry Walker to open the ninth. Dibble relieved and struck out Moises Alou, then allowed an infield single to Tim Wallach to load the bases.

Braves 6, Cardinals 3: Steve Avery, who had not won in nearly a month, allowed four hits in 813 innines in Atlanta, and Brian Hunter hit a two-run homer and drove in three runs.

Phillies 2, Astros 1: In Philadelphia, Terry Mulholland pitched 813 innings for his fourth straight victory. He gave up nine hits, struck out six and walked one.

Mitch Williams came on with runners at first and second and Gary Sheffield and Fred walked Craig Biggio, loading the McGnif singled consecutively to bases. He got Steve Finley to pop start the fatal sixth, and the left- out to shortstop and Jeff Bagwell to

Giants 3, Pirates 1: The home such miscalculations in the inning team handed the Pirates their fifth — left Padres at second and third straight loss behind Bud Black, who allowed four hits in 7% innings. Jeff Brantley got three outs

Dodgers 5, Cubs 3: In Los Angeles, Mike Sharperson pulled the Dodgers into a tie with a two-run double in the fifth. Then he knocked the ball loose from the catcher, Joe Girardi, later in the inning for the go-ahead run.



The Rangers' Kevin Reimer was early and safe at second after the Cleveland Indians' Tony Perezchica was late and short with the tag.

A's Hold Down the Orioles

Blue Jays 8, Twins 7: In Toronto, Pat Bor-

By Mark Maske

Washington Post Service
The Baltimore Orioles officially are entrenched in their first rut of the season.

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suffered his initial loss in six decisions, aided

the A's with a pair of wild pitches, one that

produced a fifth-inning run and another that helped along Oakland's decisive two-run sev-

The Orioles also lost for the fourth consecu-

tive time at home, and they were swept for the

In other games Wednesday, The Associated

Yankees 3, Angels 2: Charlie Hayes's run-

scoring double with one out in the 12th gave the

home team a three-game sweep of California.

first time at Camden Yards.

Press reported:

ders singled home the winning run with the bases loaded in the 10th to help Toronto stop its Their bats turned quiet Wednesday night at home after they failed to turn a big first-inning longest losing streak of the season at five games. opportunity into a big first-inning lead, and their starter, Mike Mussina, finally came up The Twins had won four in a row. They had taken the first two in the three-game series at the SkyDome, where Minnesota swept three straight last October to clinch the AL playoffs. The Orioles' season-worst skid extended to four games with a 4-2 loss to the Oakland

Red Sox 6, Mariners 4: In Boston, Ellis Burks hit a tie-breaking grand slam in the eighth inning, and Roger Clemens and Boston stopped Seattle for a three-game sweep. The Orioles got a home run from Brady Coming off consecutive shutouts, Clemens allowed two runs on six hits in eight innings. He Anderson and evened the game twice, after trailing by 1-0 and 2-1. But Mussina, who

walked one and struck out five. Burks's sixth career slam came off Mike Schooler after Boston loaded the bases against the relievers Jeff Nelson and Dennis Powell.

Rangers 1, Indians 0: José Guzman shut out the home team on five hits before needing relief help from Jeff Russell in the ninth as Texas logged a three-game sweep of Cleveland.

Ruben Sierra's RBI single in the sixth inning sent the Rangers to their fourth straight victory. The Indians have lost five in a row and 10 of their last 11, and they have been shut out seven

Tigers 4, Brewers 3: In Detroit, Mickey Tettleton hit a three-run homer with one out in the ninth inning, rallying Detroit past Milwaukee.

The Yankees have now won seven of their last eight games in a 12-game homestand. Jesse Barfield, who tied the game in the ninth Royals 7, White Sox 2: Gregg Jefferies, who inning with a sacrifice fly, singled with one out in the 12th off Chuck Crim, and Hayes folstruck out and grounded into a double play in his first two at-bats, hit his first major league lowed with a deep double to left-center field. grand slam to lift visiting Kansas City.

Mishap Hurts 12 Hayes was in a 3-for-32 slump when he got the game-winning hit. On Angels' Bus

DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP, New Jersey — The manager of the California Angels, Buck Rodgers, was the most seriously injured of the 12 passengers hurt when a bus carrying the team overturned on the New Jersey Tumpike on Thursday morning.
Rodgers broke a right rib, right knee and

right elbow, and was transferred to a hospital in

Hall of Famer Rod Carew, an Angel hitting instructor, was among the others injured in the accident as the team was traveling from New York to Baltimore. Carew left the hospital in Woodbury later

Thursday morning carrying a neck brace. He said he had suffered a whiplash injury and had bruised his knee. First baseman Alvin Davis remained in the

hospital along with traveling secretary Frank Sims and trainer Ned Berget.

Junior Felix, Gary DiSarcina and Bobby

Rose were the other players treated for injuries and released, as were coaches Rick Turner, John Wathan and Ken Macha. Most sustained minor cuts and bruises. The driver of the chartered bus, Carl Venetz,

told the state police that he had swerved to avoid debris in the road and lost control of the bus. Venetz faces charges of careless driving.

The bus crashed through the guard rail, traveled about 350 feet (105 meters) and then flipped over on its side. It stopped rolling just short of a 15-foot embankment,

'Bushman' to Stay For the Olympics

By Doug Cress Special to the Herald Tribune

BARCELONA — The man is thin and frail and he barely stands four feet tall. He's got a spear in his right hand, a shield in his left; and his eyes are locked on some distant horizon.

The man is a stuffed, mounted Kalahari bushman from sombern-Africa and he hasn't moved in more than a century. But his presence in a local museum has touched off a firestorm of racial controversy that is burning out of control with the 1992 Olympic Games just two months away.

The city council of Banyoles, which owns the nusseum, has formally rejected a piea by organizers of the Games to remove "El Negro," thereby prolonging the battle of wills that has dragged on

for more than a year.

Mayor Joan Solana said in a letter to Josep M. Abad, chief-executive officer of the Barcelona Olympic Organizing Committee, that the city would continue to honor a manimous decision made Nov. 29 to keep El Negro on display in the Darder Museum of Natural History. He was stolen from a grave in southern Africa in the late 19th century and put on permanent display in Banyoles in

Banyoles, a town about 115 kilometers (70 miles) northwest of Barcelona, will host the Olympic rowing competition from July 28-Ang. 2. But the city's reluctance to surrender El Negro — especially with about 50 African nations expected at the Games — is considered by many to be insensitive at best, racist at worst.

Alfonso Arcelin, the Haitian-born physician who initiated the protest over El Negro last May, said he's fed up.

"Any black man — any human being, but especially if you're black — should be upset," he said. "It's humiliating. Nobody could go there and see this man and say, 'How beautiful.' It's an absolute horror. I don't understand how this city can defend itself."

But the departy mayor of Personles. Carles Abella said the said.

But the deputy mayor of Banyoles, Carles Abella, said the issue was civic antonomy. Ironically, Banyoles has one of the highest proportion of blacks in Spain, but a recent radio poll found that \$7.2 percent of Banyoles residents want El Negro to stay and the city is determined to resist what it considers misguided meddling by

"This has touched the pride of Banyoles," Abella said. "We are not xenophobic. But we are like many cities, I expect. We are trying to protect our city and our way of life."

Caught in the middle is the 1992 Olympics. Ever since representatives of the African embassies in Spain met in Madrid last February
to discuss the possibility of an Olympic boycott over El Negro, the
Barcelona organizing committee has been under siege.
The U.S. Olympic Committee treasurer, Leroy Walker, recently
said he could not "in good conscience" send a U.S. team to Banyolas.
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Anita de Frantz, an American member of the International Olympic: Committee, considered El Negro's presence "inhumane." It was time, she said, "for Spain to join the modern world." Ahad said he has no choice but to turn the whole affair back over

to the IOC, which issued a formal request for the exhibition to be closed during the Olympic Games.
"I can't say what will happen next," he said. "This falls outside of our responsibilities. We are organizing an Olympic Games, not-

running a city." Arcelin, meanwhile, has had his life threatened over El Negro. But.

he said he plans to continue to fight for a proper burial for the

"I am disappointed," he said. "Not a little, but very disappointed. This is racism. There can be no doubt about it now."

BOOKS

self over the years is if anything charita-

ble understatement. More than two de-

cades after the fact, her reputation still

rests on her second book, a collection of

essays called "Slouching Towards Beth-

lehem." It is in many respects a fine

book, but it has served as something of a

AFTER HENRY

By Joan Didion. 319 pages. \$22. Simon & Schuster, 1230 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020.

Reviewed by Jonathan Yardley

T will come as no surprise to anyone who has read her novels, but Joan Didion distrusts and dislikes narrative, or at least "narrative" as she chooses to interpret the term. She equates it not with story or chronicle but with fiction - worse, fantasy - and she finds it "sentimental," a way of mythologizing and falsifying the world that gives com-fort to our illusions and shields us from reality. How we employ it is the dominant theme of this, the latest collection of her occasional journalism.

"After Henry" takes its title from an essay in tribute to Henry Robbins, Didion's late and deservedly beloved editor. It is a nice enough piece, though like so much of Didion's writing it ultimately is far less about its subject than about its author, as she implicitly confesses when she praises Robbins as "the person who gave the writer the idea of himself, the idea of herself, the image of self that enabled the writer to sit down alone and do it." Whether she is writing fiction or nonfiction, Didion's self is always at the center; it is, for all the acuity of her perceptions, a presence that in time becomes obtrusive and annoying.

To say that Didion has indulged this

DOONESBURY

PETER, ALTHOUGH PEROT

IS WORKING PENERGHLY TO PUT TOGETHER A PACK-PGE OF POSITIONS, IT'S

bible for practitioners of the "new," or personal," journalism, and as a startingoff place for Didion herself, who in the intervening years has plunged ever deeper into the pool of narcissism. This is a pity, for she has an interesting mind that, when she focuses it solely on others, can vield penetrating and original insights.

She has, in "After Henry," three broad subjects: politics (which she calls "Washington"), California and New York. She is weakest on the first, strongest on the second and mixed - though in a very interesting fashion - on the last. Her difficulty with politics is that she really doesn't know it as well as she imagines and brings to it no especially useful in-

Didion is on far firmer ground in California, of which she has a keenly unsentimental understanding that is tempered by a deep affinity and affection. Of Los Angeles she writes: "In a city not only largely conceived as a series of real estate promotions but largely supported by a series of confidence games, a city currently affoat on motion pictures and junk bonds and the B-2 Stealth bomber, the conviction that something can be made of nothing may be one of the few narra-tives in which everyone participates." She is an observer and even a chronicler

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of this "narrative," but she regards it with more amusement than vexation. Prowling around California generally

and Los Angeles specifically, she repeatedly comes up with discoveries. They are invariably revealing and often amusing. In New York, where Didion now lives

but to which she is not native, she is on somewhat shakier ground. The long essay with which this collection concludes. Sentimental Journeys," is a meditation on the case of the Central Park jogger, from which she extrapolates a number of interesting conclusions about New York's bottomless capacity for self-delusion, self-romanticizing and - to borrow a word from the pop psychologists — denial. In all of these she no doubt is correct, but the connection she draws between them and the business at hand is at best tenuous. She seems to have approached the case of the jogger with "subtext" already firmly in mind, and to have constructed her own "narrative" in order to justify it.

Still, it is on the whole a good piece, a reminder of just how sharp Didion can be when she crawls out of herself and into something else. But even here the reader is forever aware of the Didion "persona," which may be attractive to some but is merely irritating to others. It is a "subtext" that diminishes rather than enlarges her work.

Ionathan Yardley is on the staff of The Washington Post.

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BRIDGE

THE diagramed deal was played in a Chicago game at the Manhattan Club in Manhattan.

By Alan Truscott

Bidding a five-card suit twice is almost always an error, although there are two exceptions for the opening bidder. One occurs after a response at the two-level the other when it is his second suit. In a competitive auction there are no exceptions, and South's final bid in the auction shown is therefore an evebrow-raiser But the declarer, Joe Lawrence, sailed bome in four hearts in a 5-1 fit despite losing the first three tricks in clubs.

At the fourth trick East shifted to a trump, and South ventured the nine. When this succeeded he confidently finessed the spade queen, cashed the spade ace and ruffed a spade. He cashed the heart ace and the diamond king, and successfully finessed the diamond jack. The diamond ace gave him his eighth trick, and with the lead in dummy, East's Q-10 of hearts were trapped at the finish under South's K-J.

The post-mortem revealed that three no-trump would have succeeded, with rather less luck, but the more obvious contract of four spades, a 6-1 fit rather than 5-1, would have failed.

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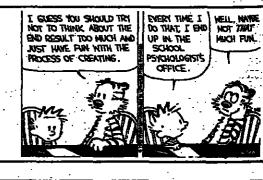




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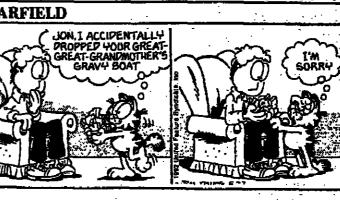
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SPORTS 3

Barcelona Ends A Waiting Game

stepped out of the shadow cast by European Cup here after a memo- er the shot, they might have rable final against Sampdoria of blocked it.

A stunning goal from their out-standing Dutch defender, Ronald Koeman, in the 111th minute settled the outcome just when it looked as if the match would go to a penalty shoot-out.

"One of my qualities is free kicks." Koeman said. "I train every day with the players and the goalie. It's the most important free kick in

Barcelona, which won the Cup Winners' Cup in 1979, 1982 and 1989 and the UEFA Cup in 1958, 1960 and 1996, joined Juventus and Ajax as the only team to win all three major European trophies. It has been 26 years since Real

Madrid won the last of their six European Cups, but Catalan pride has found it hard to put up with second-best jibes. Barcelona may be hosting the Olympic Games in July, but bettering Real Madrid at football probably counts for more

Koeman's low shot Wednesday Koeman is only the second play- had three outstanding chances to night from an indirect free kick on er to win the cup for different seal victory for the Italians in a hung his head in despair on the following year. (AFP, AP, Reusers)

LONDON — Barcelona finally area tore through a gap in the de-epped out of the shadow cast by fensive wall. If the Italian players Real Madrid when they won the had not rushed out to try to smoth-

> Barcelona had lost its first final to Benfica of Lisbon in 1961 and failed to rise to the occasion when coached by England's Terry Venables in 1986. A penalty shoot-out that night in Seville allowed Steau Bucharest to become the only East European champions.

> Koeman's strike also made it a triumph for his countryman, Barcelona coach Johan Cruyff. A standout striker who guided Dutch club Ajax to three triumphs in a row in the early 1970s. Cruyff has now gained a Champions' Cup success

as a manager as well as a player. Cruyff said: "As a coach, it's my greatest night. I've had great nights as a player, but as a coach it's a

beautiful night."

He added: "And although this match also involved suffering, we won it through our own merits, and despite suffering because the goal came eight minutes from the end, we can relax now. We have the cup and we can celebrate."

clubs. Romanian defender Miodrag Belodedici won with Steau Bucharest in 1986 and was on the domination.

winning side for Red Star Belgrade

in last year's final against French

champions Olympique Marseille. Koeman won for the first time in

1988 with PSV Einschoven of the

The unhappiest man in the

Sampdoria team was undoubtedly

Italian striker Gianluca Vialli, who

Netherlands.

Having sent one high over the bar and seen another effort brilliantly saved, Vialli, rumored to be moving to Juventus, kicked out in anger and frustration at advertising boards behind the goal as a third

Barcelona's Michael Laudrup, left, had Sampdoria's Fausto Pari close at his heels in the Cup final.

shot shaved the far post. The man whose goals won Samp-doria the Cup Winners' Cup final in 1990 and whose six in this com-

nine-minute period of second half substitutes' bench as the final whis-

Sampdoria's Serbian coach Vujadin Boskov, who left the ground without comment, was no doubt equally dispirited after losing to Barcelona for the second time in a cup final.

Boskov, due to leave for Roma after six seasons at Sampdoria, lost the Cup Winners' Cup to the Span-iards in 1989 before winning it the

Blackhawks Widen Lead

The Associated Press

It was the Blackhawks' 10th straight victory, tying the NHL re-cord for consecutive wins in one

1970. The multiseason record is 12 by Edmonton in 1984-85. Roenick tipped a bullet pass by Chris Chelios past Bill Ranford, who had made four game-saving stops earlier in the extra period. Chicago had all five shots in over-

Survival Plan for Cavs: Get Mean With the Bulls

CHICAGO — The Cleveland

Cavaliers are a very nice team; that may be taken as a compliment or A thank-you to the Cavaliers is certainly in order for sparing us at least two more weeks of "As The

Bird Turns," that predictable and played-out Boston soap opera. But if the Cavaliers are to strike a figurative blow for the advocacy group known as Basketball-as-Bal-let, if they are going to discredit the Knicks and their brutish predecessors, the Detroit Pistons, they need to push the Chicago Bulls to six games, and preferably seven.

They must make the Bulls resent them a little, fear them a lot. They must avoid sending the fans to the parking lots with 2 minutes, 59 seconds left, as they did when they cavalierly dropped Game 1 of the Eastern Conference finals Tuesday night, 103-89, at Chicago Stadium. Game 2 was to be played Thurs-

day night in Chicago.

"We're back to playing real bas-ketball, not hockey or football," the Bulls' Horace Grant thankfully declared. "No punches. No scratching. No clawing. No kicking. No shooting. No murder. You can bring your kids to see a game

like this. Especially if you're trying to get

them to skeep.

Grant called the Cavaliers "a classy team," and that is on the mark. Lenny Wilkens, the coach, is a gentleman and a basketball scholar. The team's co-owner. Gordon Gund, has agreed to return the Cavs to downtown Cleveland, where basketball belongs, from the distant suburb of Richfield.

The point guard, Mark Price, is a devout, soft-spoken Christian and in perpetual motion, a delight to watch. Brad Daugherty, prince of a pivonnan. Craig Ehlo, self-deprecating soul that he is, said of the night in 1990 when Michael Jordan him under 70."

Larry Nance, the power forward, helped Scottie Pippen off the floor in the second quarter Tuesday might and asked: "You O.K.?" No one is about to say anything

bad about these nice-guy Cavaliers, but that could also be the problem. The people in Chicago are really confused. They couldn't stand the Knicks, deplored a seven-game series that was lacking in thythm and grace, and now, finally tid of them, there is a feeling that something is missing from their post-season par-ty, judging by the reaction — the

The Cavaliers must make the Bulls resent them a little, fear them a

operative word was "dull" — to Game 1.

What was missing of course was the contrasting styles that made Bulls versus Knicks such compel-

The critics of the Knicks, who deplored how they attacked the Bulls, confused two very disparate issues. Flagrant fonling — getting carried away with one's machismo - is an issue the National Basketball Association could and should address by ordering its officials to eject a player who tackles another around the neck or needlessly hammers someone to the floor.

But that creates the universal dilemma of sports: What if the cul-prit is Michael Jordan, or Patrick Ewing, and the game is on national

television?

The theory in Chicago was that the Knicks' head-hunting intimidated Pippen, and perhaps that was somewhat the case. But what enfecbled Pippen was the relentless rotation of Knick bodies as he attempt-

ed to penetrate the lane and create off the dribble. Crowded, unable to get inside, Pippen rushed the few open jump shots he had. By no coincidence, his

outside touch returned Tuesday, as he was able to breathe again.
Styles, like Muhammad Ali's and Joe Frazier's, make the fight, even in a sport that's not supposed to be one. Anyone who disagrees is re-ferred to a couple of recent United States Open tennis finals between Mats Wilander and Ivan Lendl.

Artistry is a major part of any performance, but an outpouring of body and soul can transform a perfunctory effort into a memorable one, which is why we pay attention

in the first place.

Those who constantly held up the seven-game series between the Cavaliers and the Celtics as a model of comportment and competition should be reminded that four of those games were dreadful blow-outs, including the final three.

Besides, it would be an affront to any objective basketball historian to include the Celtics in any discussion of good, clean basketball, as Red Auerbach practically invented the brute exphemistically referred to as the "enforcer."

Memories of the 1980s are still vivid: Greg Kite bounding off the bench to hammer anything in his path. Kevin McHale tackling the Lakers' Kurt Rambis on the fast break. Robert Parish sledgehammering Bill Laimbeer (if anyone deserved a bop on the noggin, he did) from behind in Boston Garden and

not even being assessed a foul.

The Celtics, of course, had Bird, Forcing a 100-plus-point team into an 85-point game by physically imposing a defensive will is anonship caliber. In that case, it was all other issue entirely, and one right because, as we know, nice guys doesn't necessarily beget the other.

Fear and Loathing in Junior Tennis

By Samantha Stevenson

New York Times Service
SAN DIEGO — When she enrolled her two daughters at the Sum Olson Tennis Academy in Newport Beach, Debra Russell understood the rigors of daily training and

ments in southern California. At the academy, her daughters, Nina Vaughn, 10, and Nadia Vaughn, 11, had private lessons, strategy sessions, footwork coaches and a computer for hire that would

All of this effort was stressful but a part of the system for parents hoping their children would get a spot on one of the quality high school teams in the area and attend college on a tennis scholarship.

But when the father of a rival player threat-ened to hit her last year. Russell had had "The father coached his daughter from the sidelines," Russell said. "The daughter used four-letter words on the court. He used foul language, and physically threatened me dur-ing a match when his daughter was losing to

Russell petitioned the Southern California Tennis Association to ban the father and his daughter from tournaments. The family was called into a sportsmanship meeting — the official procedure for resolving such complaints - and warned, but the daughter was

allowed to continue playing. "Junior tennis is not for the faint of heart," Russell said. "If a kid can survive junior

tennis, he can survive anything." In Southern California, always a hotbed for junior tennis, Russell's story has be familiar one. Parents' quest for success has produced an alarming array of problems that have gone far beyond the "pushy parent"

The problems are not unique to Southern California, but they seem magnified by the association's mystique, compactness and abundance of talent. If great tennis players aren't born in Southern California, the perception is that they are made there.

With its favorable weather, strong competition, ton coaches, fast, hard courts and a growing population, the Bakersfield-to-San

Diego corridor has long considered itself the

Southern California's problems — as well as its prestige — are powerful. For example, the Southern Tennis Association, which comprises nine Southeastern states with the exception of Florida, has more registered juniors and nationally ranked boys and girls in some groups. Nevertheless, more Southern

California kids grow up to be champions. And the dream of becoming the next cham-pion in a tradition that includes Jack Kramer, Maureen Connolly, Pancho Gonzalez, Billie Jean King, Stan Smith and Pete Sampras, to name only a few, burns fiercely in the hearts of many of the section's 13,743 registered

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juniors. It appears to burn even more maniacally in the hearts of some of their parents. The top players have a trainer, a nutri-tionist and a coach," said Jim Hillman, junior development director for the Southern California Tennis Association, "Some kids have two or three pros. I think it's a little confusing to the kids. The old-timers can't believe

what's going on. training his 5-year-old daughter for five hours each day. I told him I thought that was too much for her bone structure at that age. He said, 'Oh no, it's right here in Steffi Graf's

book But the problems have gone beyond the stepped-up training methods that most juniors now accept as routine. There have been complaints about parents physically hurring their children as they push them to excel. And parents and girl players talk about boy groupies who follow the girls from tournament to tournament.

There have been increases in the cost of preparing players; there has been cheating on line calls by players and by parents from the sidelines, and injuries and eligibility abuses have increased at the tournament level. "There is a fine line between parent sup-

port and parent pressure," said Robert Lansdorp, the former coach of Tracy Austin and the teacher of many of the area's top juniors, including his daughter, Stephanie, 16. "Par-ents always think their child should do more, should run one more mile, play four hours instead of two. But the chances of a child

making it big are so small." Fred Haynes is the father of Dante Haynes, the leading player in the boys' 10and-under age group. One of the boy's opponents reported to his father that Dante, who

is 10, feared his father's reaction if he lost. Asked whether he had ever hit his son after a match, Haynes said: "Yes, that has happened. I whipped him with a stick before. If I don't whip these kids, they won't respect me. There's a line you draw. I talk to them first. They know why I whip them. It's all part of our family's discipline."

Haynes also acknowledged that once after a tournament he had his son run alongside his car for five miles. "It keeps you less cocky, more down to earth." Haynes said.

Just recently, with his son trailing an opponent, 5-2, in the first set, Haynes signaled his son to quit the match. Dante walked off the court, telling the referee his ankle hurt. Haynes, who also trains his 7-year-old daughter. Angela, said one of his training

techniques is to have his children run in the sand three times a week wearing work boots. "The kids communicate with me, because I leave that open," Haynes said. "I say, 'If you kids are tired today, you don't want to play, tell me. But don't tell me when we get on the

courts because I'm going to say the heck with

With children starting intense training and competition so early, their injuries have be-come a major concern. The Southern California junior circuit is full of stories about muscle pulls, stress fractures, ligament damage and early surgery attributable to too many hours on hard courts.

Over Oilers

EDMONTON, Alberta - The Chicago Blackhawks assured themselves of a line in the National Hockey League record book. They're one victory away from their first trip to the Stanley Cup

finals since 1973. Jeremy Roenick's goal 2:45 into overtime gave the Blackhawks a 4-3 victory over the Edmonton Oiless on Wednesday and a three-game lead in the Campbell Conference

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

playoff season set by Boston

The Blackhawks, who won for only the second time in nine play-off games at the Northlands Coliseum, can advance to the finals for

For the second straight game, Edmonton blew a 2-0 lead. This time, though, the Otlers rallied.

After Chicago scored three tim

in the second period to take the lead. Edmonton tied it when defenseman Brian Glynn picked off Stephane Matteau's clearing pass and beat Ed Belfour with a screened 40-footer at 7:13 of the third period.

Blazers' Backcourt Burns On

PORTIAND, Oregon — Jerome Kersey refers to them as Batman and Robin — "our Dynamic Duo" — but the Portland guards, Clyde Drexler and Terry Porter, may be more Butch and Sundance: a sharp-shooting duet that has silenced the Utah Jazz in the first two games of the Western Conference finals.

Drexler even sounded a bit like the cocky Butch Cassidy after Portland's 119-102 victory over Utah in Game 2, agreeing that he and Porter have become the best backcourt in the National Basketball Association.
"You should have been saying that for years," said
Drexler, usually more understated, as he winked and

Porter was simply in awe.

"If I get any hotter than that," he said as his voice trailed off, "it's a scary thought." The thought should frighten Utah, which fell behind by 2-0 in the four-of-seven-game series while watching Porter and Drexler combine for 77 points. Porter's career-high 41 points resulted from 16-of-19 shooting from the field, including 4 of 5 from 3-point

Friday night. Only two teams have come back from a 3-0 deficit to win a playoff series.

Tange, range, a playoff series, although he said the number of assists weren't that

impressive considering the circumstances.
"All I had to do was hand it to T.P.," he said, referring to Porter. Perhaps, but in the first quarter, Drexler and Porter combined for a picture-perfect play that exemplifies

the almost uncanny way these two guards work After Kersey ripped down a rebound, he uncorked an outlet pass to Drexler, who was running down the sideline. The pass sailed high, so Drexler had to stop,

turn around and leap out of bounds. In one motion in

midair, he caught the ball in his right hand and then threw it back over his left shoulder.

Jazz guard John Stockton, who had been covering Porter, paused as Drexler leaped, but Porter never

stopped running. He got a step on Stockton, scooped up the ball and hit an uncontested layup.

"Those two gnys are as good as any pair that I've seen this year," said the Utah coach, Jerry Sloan, who was ejected in the fourth quarter after his second technical foul. technical foul.

The domination by Drexler and Porter, who have played together in Portland for seven years, couldn't have come at a more opportune time for the Biazers. Portland started the regular season in a bit of a funk,

seemingly still reeling from last year's upset loss to the Los Angeles Lakers in the Western Conference finals.

Dreader almost single-handedly carried the team through the first half of the season, keeping them within striking distance of the division-leading Golden

When minor injuries flared up at the end of the season to slow down Drexler, Porter stepped forward and has remained, as Drexler puts it, "in the Twilight Zone." With Drexler back at full strength, Portland

opponents have been seeing double in the playoffs.

The route gets steeper Friday when the Blazers travel to Utah's Delta Center, where the Jazz posted a 38-4 regular season record and is 5-0 there in the

But even Slown admits that Utah's homecourt edge, which has been attributed partly to playing at Salt Lake City's high altitude, may not be enough. "I don't think the altitude matters in the playoffs," said Sloan. Teams are fired during the regular season,

but they'll be rested by Friday. We're facing a team

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Rothstein Named to Coach Pistons

AUBURN HILLS, Michigan (Combined Dispatches) - The Detroit Pistons on Thursday named Ron Rothstein as head coach, succeeding Chuck Daly who resigned after nine winning seasons and two NBA

that's playing with terrific confidence."

championships.

Rothstein, a former Detroit assistant, was head coach of the Miami Heat from 1988-91 and worked as a Pistons broadcaster last season. He had a 57-189 record in three seasons as the Hear's first coach.

"When Rousie became available, there was no question that this was another basketball man we would like to have on our staff," general manager Jack McCloskey said. McCloskey also briefly discussed the possibility he would leave the Pistons and said he was under consideration for a general manager position with the Minnesota Timberwolves.

Rudy Tomjanovich, who finished last season as the Houston Rock-

ets' interim head coach, was named coach for next season. (AP, UPI)

For the Record Larry Flowers, a former special teams player with the New York Giants, has been sentenced to 24 months for distributing cocaine. (UPI) South Africa, which has never played in the World Cup, said it would

apply to replace Burkina Faso in qualifying for the 1994 tournament. FIFA is expected to readmit South Africa in July.

(AP)
Fay Vincent, the commissioner of baseball, said George Steinbrenner's actions following his ban from baseball would determine whether he would be allowed to return as general partner of the New York Yankees.

The two held talks for an hour earlier this week.

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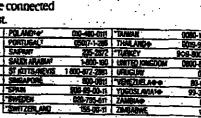
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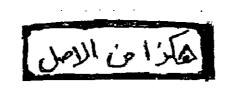


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Rolling in Happiness

By Russell Baker

NEW YORK — Stand back, e. erybody! Back! Congress is bout to amend the Constitution. When they get through, everybody - that's you, son; that's you. mother — absolutely everybody can chi: wouldn't

That's right, folks: Quit worrying is what you'll do. And when you quit worrying, what are you going to be? That's right, sister, that's right, prother: You're going to be happy.

Happy again! And all it takes is this one tittle amendment to that sacred American document we all love. I'm talking our great Consti-

It takes a lot of really great greatness to make America great. Greatness like Madonna and McDon-2ld's. Billions sold and still counting. Great things like basecall, and golden parachutes, and the Lincoln Memorial and the late. rreat Thomas Jefferson with his famous pursuit of happiness.

Yes, my friends, the pursuit of happiness, that's what America is all about, and that's what the Constitution was written for, and that's why Congress is about to amend it. and that's why the president - yes. Mr. Himself himself - is telling the Congress to get on with the

imending pronto. These fine folks want to end all the worrying, all the fretting and all the stewing about this debt — this deficit as they call it. You know all about it. Sure you do. Hundreds of billions in debts. Maybe hundreds of trillions. Who knows what those weird numbers mean in real mon-

But what everybody does know, friend — what every last man, woman, child, mother, father, grandmommy, granddaddy and any little nose-picker knows - is the awful worrying that comes from having that awful debt hanging over us like some awful sword of damson trees.

Hear me now, everybody; hear me now! Once they get this tiny but wonderful new amendment into our otherwise perfect Constitution. you'll be saving good-bye to Old Man Worry. "So long, Old Mr. Worry," you're going to say, "Hello

All right, you've heard happiness promised before. You've heard other people stand right here in this very place and say you could get

happiness for a \$2 bottle of some miraculous liquid, lotion, unguent or cream they just happened to be selling. And when you got it home, it didn't work. It didn't bring the happiness you'd been promised. When you got fed up and put a horse-tail hair in it and let it sit overnight, the hair hadn't even turned into a snake when you got

up next morning.
So you're wondering. How is this wonderful little constitutional amendment different from that snake oil that didn't bring us one single moment of happiness? And I'm here to tell you. Are you ready for this, mother? Give her your arm, daddy.

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takes to keep us cating." Not to worry, friends. Not to worry. The only thing that'll be balanced under the amendment is the budget. When taxes are too skimpy to keep everybody happy, maintaining happiness will be rede-fined as an "off-budget" item. That way the money keeps rolling out, the taxes keep staying down, and

the happiness keeps rolling in. Now also today, friends, I have this miraculous new oil. You simply open the bottle, insert a single whisker from a cat's chin and over-

New York Times Service

Bille August: Telling the Bergman Story

By Joan Dupont

ANNES - When Bille August came to Cannes for the first time, a wan young man from Denmark, he did not get a big reception. "There was nobody at the airport to pick me up so I had to hitch-hike." he recalls, adding with a dry smile, "Things have improved."

August was sitting in his Carlton Hotel suite, snowed under by phone calls and faxes - the latest way to get a congratulation across - contemplating, somewhat stunned, his gold laurel-leaf trophy on the coffee table. It's quite a conversation piece; four years after winning the Golden ... Palm for "Pelle the Conqueror," he had just done it again with "The Best Intentions," adapted from a screenplay by Ingmar Bergman. Pernilla Ostergren, Bergman's stage muse and August's screen heroine - who has become his wife - also won a Golden Palm for her part in the

Aside from the great Carl Dreyer, there are few famous Danish film directors, August, who studied photography in Stock-holm, feels close to Swedish cinema: He has made a dozen movies for Swedish television, as well as prize-winning Danish

A tall, wry man with the kind of rimless glasses that have a way of blotting light and expression from the eyes, he was more excited about his wife's prize than his own.

"I was extremely happy and very re-laxed. Then I heard Depardieu announce the Palm for best film — it was unreal." The international press was not thrilled that the supreme award should go to this three-hour film version of a TV series academic, according to some, beautiful but on the bloodless side. In fact, the story is full of passion, intense scenes from a marriage in which Bergman explores his feelings for his parents, for it is their domestic drama that he describes.

"He wanted to understand why his father had so much hatred in him, why there was such conflict between his parents," August says. The film is what is called in the business a "prequel" to "Fanny and Alexander," starting in 1909 when the young people met — a poor and emotionally damaged theological student and a rich, gloriously alive bourgeoise — through their courtship, clashes and temporary separation before Ingmar's birth.

Bergman, who has given up film direc-tion — "It takes too much out of him" had been impressed by "Pelle." "I was on my way to Hollywood to make an American film [adapted from Isabel Allende's The House of the Spirits], when I heard that he wanted me to direct from his script. I read 20 pages and knew that this was something very rare, a love story that could take place in any country - you just

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Pernilla Ostergren, right, in "The Best Intentions," which won her the Palm.

pull down the wall to enter that kind of was forbidden. It was very strange; one family drama. I wanted to be part of it; my day I will make a film about it." Hollywood career could wait.

Normally, directors don't even meet each other; August worked with Bergman every day for two months, eight hours a day, at the master's grueling rhythm. "It was an enormous experience, profession-ally and humanly, to sit with him and discuss the important things in life."

Saying, "It has to be your film," once the script was done, Bergman gave over complete control; he never went on the set or to see the rushes.

August, who had a difficult relationship with his own father, felt a kinship with the Swedish director: "We have one thing in common. I too had an extremely terrible childhood, so I know what pain is." August was 8 when his mother died; his father told him and his sister that they must never again talk about her, "Never. And if we did, we would be punished. All her photos were removed from the family album; I don't remember her, because it

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Bergman did make one request: His screen mother had to be played by Ostergren, a young actress who had played the maid in "Fanny and Alexander." "And so some Best Intentions turned out to be great," August says, "We got married and have a beautiful child."

He has fathered three other children with three different women. "I'm not trying to imitate Bergman — I think he has nine children — he's a busy man."

It wasn't love at first sight on the set, he says, because, "I'm very afraid of falling in love, there's something misleading about it it says more about loneliness and needs. My love came from friendship and the deepest respect."

Pernilla Ostergren-August emerges from the adjoining room carrying 6-month-old Asta. It's a beautiful entrance. The actress, with her expressive face and vivid coloring, floods the room with high

At Cannes nobody could pronounce her name, but she is the leading lady of the Royal Dramatic Theater of Sweden and she received a rousing reception as Ophe-lia when Bergman's "Hamlet" went to the Brooklyn Academy of Music four years ago. Last summer, the company returned and she gave an incredible performance as a bold —and slightly pregnant — Nora. in.
"The Doll's House." Almost every review described her radiance: she radiates even as she sits quietly, Asta on her lap, modest about her lilting English.

"I have a vocabulary of few words," she says, blushing. She uses "wonderful" for Bergman, "wonderful" for her husband. "I love to work with Bille; when we work together, it's different, not as if we're mar-

"As soon as we enter the studio," he puts in, "we have another relationship; we're involved with the drama, the story." "Sometimes acting is painful," she says, "because the most important thing to do is

to show your own feelings." When you ask whether they will work together again, she defers to him, and he says, "We'll see."

Ostergren describes her upbringing as,

Very normal middle class. My parents divorced, remarried and had more children, so I have quite a big family now." She remembers feeling stirred by the theater when she was 12. "I was alone on the stage for half a minute and I remember recognizing something that I locked into my heart. I knew that one day I was going to discover what it was, and I did later when I went to drama school, but I always kept my plan a secret in my heart because it was something magical, and if I talked about it, it might not happen." The stage and cinema are completely different, she

finds, but feed each other. "The Best Intentions" opens in the United States at the end of the summer and August intends to resume his American project. Would she too, with a Palm in her pocket, be on her way to act in Holly-

"Oh! I don't know. I was so excited last night — I never felt like that in my life — I thought I was going to fall down dead!" It was, they agree, a big prize for Euro-pean cinema. And of course a tribute to Bergman, far away on Faro. They have heard nothing from the director, not so much as a fax.

"I don't think he knows where we are." says August. "He lives on a small island,

you know, very isolated."
"But he's with us, I'm sure," says his
wife, her vibrant voice sounding very sure.

Joan Dupont is a Paris-based writer spe-

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ABT Director Ouits. Dance World Surprised

Jame Harmann, who took over the directorship of the American Ballet Theatre when Mikhail Basrshnikov kili in 1989, surprised (b) dance world by amouncing the she is stepping down Sept. I, before the end of her three-year contract. She said that her devotion to the company remained but "it is time for me to move on." Hermann has been co-director of the company In G with Oliver Smith. At the time the was appointed, critics questioned the wisdom of naming a person as director who had no experience as a dancer. However, Hermann was effective in guiding the company through a difficult financial period and she had been expected to ashen 11 new her contract for another three years.

Alec Baldwin, who has been nominated for a Tony Award for i role Marion Brando made famous says he plays Stanley Kowalski in "A Street Car Named Desire" diferently. "Brando always said he never saw the humor of the charge ter, but I think he's a real wise gay,] had to make it funny for myself, so I could do it every night of the week for three hours." Baldwin said. · - · 🟮 -

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Yelena G. Bonner, the widow of the Soviet dissident Andrei D. Sakharov, announced in Washington that a prize was being established that a prize was being established in her husband's name. The Sakinrov Award, \$100,000 and a sculpture by Maya Lin, will be given every two years by the Gleitsman Foundation to individuals living outside the United States who have promoted positive social change, The first award will be given nen

Oprah Winfrey is the television talk show host with the most fans, according to a new Harris Poll. The poll found that 31 percent of the 1.251 adults surveyed said they preferred Winfrey. The retining Johnny Carson got 16 percent, followed by Phil Donahue with 13

Indiana, Pennsylvania, the hometown of Jimmy Stewart, marked the actor's 84th birthday by naming the street he grew up on after him. Part of Seventh Street will now be known as "Jimmy Stewart Boulevard."

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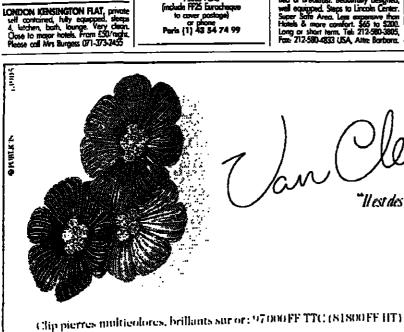
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Ambassador Bohlen, center of group at platform collapsed yesterday during left rear, assists some of his fellow fallen ceremonies at Le Bourget. In foreground, disnitaries to their feet after their a man holds part of the splintered floor.

Soft Landing for the Ambassador

After Speakers' Platform Collapses at Le Bourget

By S. T. Kantin saor to reason that is called a soft landing today as the speakers introduced under him with he was introducing his wife to start pilot Frank Tallman at Le Bourget arrord.

the spirit of the Spirit of Startes Lighbergh had strived after he first New York-to-Paris

were about to begin.

Mrs. Claude T. Ryan, wife of Ryan Aeronautics; Co. brand chairman, was struck by a full-ing chair but later laughed it off as "my downfall." Her hus-hand lost a button off his suit,

The fallen tended to blame the beliders for underestimating that weight that it would have to bear. But the construction foreman countered: "They told me to build a platform to hold 20 people and they crowded 70 onto it." There was no official count, but estimates ranged from 20 to 30.

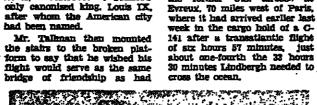
Police and ambulances were summoned by walkie-talkie, and doesns of guests and journalists streed toward the platform to extricate the dignitaries who were trying to find their way ed by walkie talkie, and out of a mass of splintered wood and menacing tempenny nails sticking out of the standing timbers.

restored order when he climbed the platform stairs and an-nounced that no one had been injured. The ambassador coninjured. The ampassagor con-tinued with a speech praising the Lindbergh flight, the French airmen Charles Nungeser and Roger Coll, who two weeks before Lindbergh started on his hop had disappeared in an at-tempt to cross the Atlantic from

Speaking in French, Mr. Bohlen called the Lindbergh only canonized king. Louis IX,

Paris to New York, and Pranco-

By Max Frankel





Replica of Lindbergh's Spirit of St. Louis after landing at Le Bourget yesterday, 40 years after the Lone Eagle.

7 MiGs Destroyed

U.S. Troops Continue

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in the area where air battles the
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We Will Stop At Buffer Zone

Talimantz Aviation of San Diego, Calif., which built the exact replica of the Spirit of St.

Louis according to the blue-prints of the original Ryan Air-

precedent to the extent of declaring after he had squeez-ed himself out of the wood and

Wheeler Says

De Gaulle Censure **Bid Fails**

8 Votes Save Special Powers

By Ronald Koven PARIS, May 21. - The political Assembly last night.

The motion got a surprisingly high 236 of the 244 votes it would

"Yes, but" to President Charles de evacuating United Nations Emer-

motion's failure automatically turns

Besides the call-up of reserves,
the decree powers into law. Only which could add more than 100,000 487 members to pass.

Mr. Giscard d'Estaing served reason for not voting censure was to avoid opening a cabinet crisis. It would almost certainly have led wider than ever, while the opposition is more solidly cemented together. Where this new situation leads depends in good part on how

The opposition had a field day moting to Prime Minister Georges Pompidou the recent spate of harsh sms by Mr. Giscard d'Estaing and his lieutenants of the decree powers' request. Far from appearing embarrassed, the Giscardist leaders fixed determinedly broad smiles on their faces. Mr. Giscard d'Estaing, the last

speaker in the three-day debate, acknowledged the quotations by saying: What a pleasure to write all when one does not have to renounce anything one has written."
He called for "dislogue" instead of government by fiat. "If you want good laws, put the parliament to work," he said to applause from Pentagon Sets New Policy the Republican Independent and centrist benches.

In contrast to the previous con proversial debates in this new Assembly elected March 12, this one semily elected March 13, this one was solemn and dignified. With few exceptions, the polemics were kept to a minimum. The arguments were serious, often highly techni-cal. It was as if the opposition were attempting to show that it is

Lyndon Johnson and the Intellectuals

Looks for Cause of Disaffection

Troops and Warships on Move

Cairo, Israel Call Reserves; Arab Commandos to Raid

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today's edition. We ask the readers' patience during the next

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have needed to overturn the government. The censure was directed against the government's ind for special powers to rule by decree in special powers to rule by decree in control affairs for six months.

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The two actions caused alarm in The Giscardists restless discipline was almost equaled on the the diplomatic community here, opposition side by the loose group of 41 centrist deputies who have split in half on previous key votes ed war with Israel likely but would all but three voted against the into act to restrain the terrorists government this time. overnment this time.

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The naval movements were con- of war, began gathering around

The New York 7.set

CAIRO, May 21. — Egypt announced the mobilization of reserves that was regular army totals about 175.000.

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ters1.—Ten bystanders were killed injured when a mine exploded at a Jordan border checkpoint in a car coming from Syrla, it was an-

car, who carried a Syrian passport, was arrested, as was his woman passenger, Jordan's Interior Min-ister, Maj. Gen. Radi Al-Abdulah,

said tonight. The explosion took place as checkpoint officials were searching the car, the statement said. Among the Jordanian dead were



TRAINING MISSION—Israeli armored troops scramble into their tanks for a hattle-ready training mission

Foreign Buyers of U.S. Arms For Talks With Nasser To Pay Part of Research Cost

By George C. Wilsor

The Washington Post
WASHINGTON, May 21.—ForWASHINGTON, May 21.—For-

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Fierce Battle in DMZ

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Some nations already have op-tions to buy weapons from U.S.

Thant to Go to Cairo

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., May 21 (WP).—Secretary-General U Thant will fly to Cairo tomorrow to discuss the Middle East crisis, which he termed "more menacing than at any time since 1956"

United Arab Republic on the situation created by the withdrawal of the 3,400-man United Nations Emergency Force at U.A.R. request. UNEF has served as a buffer between Egypt and Israel along the border of the Sinai peninsula and in the Gasa Strip.

Mr. Thant's trip reduces the prospect of an immediate meeting of the Security Council on the crisis unless actual fighting should Terris conference in Geneva next Sunday. It is unlikely that he will return from Cairo before Friday.

U.S. Ambassador to the UN Arthur J. Goldberg also said this afternoon that he may have to cancel his own appearance

N.Y. Ministers Establish Abortion Advice Service

By Edward B. Fiske legal risk.* But he added: "We are not willing to admit that it is illegal."

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On May 22, 1967, a new name-plate appeared at the top of an old newspaper (see preceding page). America's two foremost newspapers. The New York Times and The Washington Past, joined the Whitney Communications Company on that day in publishing the International Herald Tribune, the direct descendant of the New York Herald Tribune's European edition.

HE new parmership marked a decisive num-ing point in the life of the 80-year-old newspaper. But the IHT never missed an issue, and its first-hand Founded in Paris in 1887 by James Gordon Bennett, Jr., the Paris Herald, along with its New York parent, passed after Bennett's death in 1918 into the hands of the Ogden Reid family, who merged it with their own New York Tribune. The Paris paper prospered during the heady changing audience. But neither Weiss nor his managing twenties, survived the depressed thirties, closed for four editor. George Bares, squandered much time on abstract years during the German occupation and resumed publi-cation after the liberation of Paris in 1944.

In 1958, the Reids sold the New York Herald Tribune and its European edition to John Hay ("Jock") Whitney, then U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain. In dals of 1973 and 1974 the paper was criticized in more August 1966, a crippling strike forced Whitney to close conservative parts of Europe for too closely reflecting its the New York paper, but he kept the Paris edition alive. recruiting The Washington Post's Karharine Graham as a publishing parmer. The new "Whitpost" alliance enabled the paper to continue its competitive struggle against the International Edition of The New York Times, which had been launched in Paris in 1960.

The Times response was to send an experienced journalist, Sydney Gruson, to manage the Paris edition and to make fresh recommendations to Arthur O. ("Punch") Subberger, publisher of the Times. Gruson's verdict was clear. Two struggling newspapers would bleed one another to death, be concluded, while a single merged paper might thrive. Within a few weeks, a new three-way parmership had been negonized. On May 22, 1967, the word "International" appeared for the first time as part of the Herald Tobune's nameplate, along with the words: "Published with The New York Tenes and The Washington Post." (The flip of a coin determined which new parent would be listed first.)

lock Whitney remained the paper's chairman. while Graham and Sulzberger became its new cochairmen. The "Directeur de la Publicacion." who presided over board meetings and played a general supervisory role, was Whitney's dose associate, Walter N. Thayer, Day-to-day leadership was in the hands of two veterans of the New York Herald Tribune, both sent to the Paris paper in 1900. Robert T. MacDonald as publisher and Murray M. "Buddy" Weiss as editor quiddy perceived the opportunities for a paper targeted to the emerging politico-commercial elite that was shaping a new Europe.

A BURST OF NEW ACTIVITY.

The new team moved quickly, expanding stock tables and appointing Fred Farris as U.S. editor in Washington to ensure the enhanced flow of Times and Post materials into the IHT. They were supported by veteran executives, including general manager Andre Bing and circulation director François Desmaisons, who threw themselves into the task of serving the expanding readership on a timely basis all across Europe and in newer markers such as Africa, the Middle East and even the Soviet Union. Prior to the merger, the Herald Tabune had a circulation of 54,000 compared to 30,000 for the Times. By December of 1967, the new paper was selling 96,500 copies — more than its two predecessors combined By 1969, circulation reached 120,000 and the new "IHT" started running a profit.

Meanwhile, advertising also grew, as ad director Richard Morgan expanded his sales staff in Paris and New York and nitred more part-time "reps" in other capitals. In 1972, full-time sales offices were opened in London and in Frankfurt. Morgan and MacDonald also phased out the famous "Golden Girls" who had traditionally distributed the paper along the boulevards of Paris, dad in vellow sweaters. They were too dosely fied, it was felt, to the paper's old American tourist image rather than to its new readership among the "Significant Europeans", a prize advertising rarger.

Editing for this sophisticated teadership proved to be both a journalist's dream and a complex challenge. In the political arena, Weiss had to deal with an embarrassment of riches, flowing from the new owners' networks of correspondents and columnists. But, in fields such as cultural and business news, the IHT found it necessary to add its own writers.

In three areas, especially, highly distinctive columnists quickly helped to make the IIII an indisputable leader, attracting new readers and advertisers alike. One was international fashion, where Hebe Dorsev, who began as a part-time writer in Paris in the early 1960's, soon achieved a sowering reputation. Another involved the international art markets, where, beginning in 1969, Source Melikian's weekly column helped to make the paper "must reading" for the arts establishment. Finally, in a very different field, Carl Gewirtz came from New York as business and finance editor in 1968 and soon became one of Europe's leading authorities on the emerging international capital and credit markets.

These examples typified an important trend. In area after area, the paper's reputation flowered in part because of the readers' response to the IFIT's own writers.

The IHT's first front page reflected this pattern. An account of U.S. Ambassador Charles Bohlen's "soft landing" after a platform collapsed beneath him at Le Bourget airport was written by Simon T. Kantin, the last journalist hired at the Trib (in 1960) by the legendary managing editor Eric Hawkins. (Hawkins, in turn, had been hired by James Gordon Bennett Jr. in 1915.) Kantin is today the paper's senior journalist.

Many readers will recall other IFiT by-lines of the era. Jim Goldsborough (overlapping in the late 60's with Ron Koven and succeeded in the late 70's by Joe Fitchert) was for many years the paper's sole political correspondent. Naomi Bany wrote about food and Dick Rozaback about sports (his ode to baseball is still reprinted every April). Romback also wrote the popular "People" column, signed for a while after his 1972 departure by one Samuel Justice, presumably so that phone calls to the writer could be answered with the retort, "There ain't no Justice!"

Other IHT writers who built strong followings in the 1970's included William Pfaff, Thomas Quinn Curtiss, Mary Blume, Sheridan Modey, David Stevens, Michael Gibson and Michael Zwerin. All still write for advertising products (including four color reproduction the paper today. And so, of course, does Art Buchwald, whose humor column originated in the paper in 1949.

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accounts helped build a wider audience.

The internal debate about independent writers was interwined in these years with a related discussion as to how "American" the paper should be, given its theory. Their style was "hands on" and their response ame story by story and day by day. They tisked offending old Paris lovalists, for example, by moving sharply away from local preoccupations. During the Watergate scanowners' concerns. On still other occasions, the approach in Paris seemed too autonomous for some tastes. But Weiss calmly followed his own instincts. His ideal, he said, was "a mid-Atlantic viewpoint."

TECHNOLOGICAL BREAKTHROUGHS.

During its first eleven years, the IHT remained in its old home at 21 rue de Bern, built for the paper in the late 1920's. All departments were housed there, along with the presses which thundered nightly in the basement. But rapid growth pur acute strains on the old facilities, strains which were soon matched by economic pressures as the energy crunch of 1973 and 1974 triggered a global recession. The paper actually lost 10,000 paid copies a day between 1975 and 1975.

Clearly, something had to change, in the United States, computerized typeseners were doing the work of enzens of production workers, reducing costs and enhancing profitability. But in France, as in much of Europe, this solution still ran against the views of the influential labor unions and this was especially true in Pans.

The energy crisis also undercut the paper's distribution strategy, which relied on fast cars and fuelguzzling airplanes (including a fleet of chancred planes in the early 1970's). Again, technology provided an answer, however, and in this case the IHT was free to seize it. The key preaktingough came in March of 1974 when the aper opened its first remote facsimile printing site in Unbridge, outside London, thus becoming the first daily publication to use facsimile transmission internationally Each page could now be sent electronically from Paris in 2 few minutes, allowing simultaneous printing in the two capitals. Roland Pinson, André Bing's protégé and successor, negociated the arrangement and Alain Lecour moved to London to manage it.

Meanwhile, a full-scale "modernization" review was undertaken in Paris to meet the labor-related challenges. Vanous solutions were examined, including the complete relocation of the paper, perhaps to Lyon or even out of France entirely.

In mid-1976, Bob MacDonald announced his decision to return to the United States. To succeed him, the board of directors appointed Robert Eckert, an his assistant, Larry Sackett, took the situation head on assuming, like MacDonald, that union problems would 'never" prove soluble in Paris. For a while, it looked as if the whole of the headquarters would make a completely fresh start in Zurich — where a second facsimile printing site was opened in September of 1977.

As discussions continued, however, the owners of the IHT expressed their preference for remaining in Paris if problems there could possibly be overcome. Many of the paper's executives agreed. Most importantly, the leaders and members of the press unions, along with key government officials, also expressed their readiness to cooperate to keep the paper in Paris.

Guided by Roland Pinson, labor negotiations began to advance in late 1977. An agreement was soon reached whereby the IHT set up new offices — and a modern, computerized composing room — in the nearby suburb of Neuilly. Printing was subcontracted to a plant on the north edge of Paris, with a motorcycle shuttle connecting the two facilities. As a result of this settlement, the number of press-union workers went from nearly 200 to about one fourth of that number over a single weekend in March of 1978. A comprehensive social plan helped to provide for the displaced workers and not one hour was lost to job actions or strikes.

The new facilities transformed the IHT into one of the most advanced newspapers in all of Europe. The paper leapt from the 19th century to the 21st century, radically changing its cost structure.

In January 1979, Buddy Weiss returned to America. He was replaced by Mort Rosenblum, an experienced Associated Press correspondent. Five months later, publisher Bob Eckert also went home. His replacement was Lee W. Huebner, a Whitney company partner and former White House speechwiter, who knew the paper through frequent visits to Paris as a liaison between the owners and the Paris management since 1974.

A NEW STRATEGY FOR THE 1980'S

Huebner's arrival coincided with a rapid surge in new international competition. The Financial Times had Wall Street Journal, fresh from its 1977 launch in Hong Kong, was now preparing an edition for Europe. Magazines such as Business Week, Fortune, The Economist and others took similar steps - joining the older European editions of Time and Newsweek, Later, USA Today, The European, CNN, and other media would provide additional competition.

Now that the labor situation at its home base was stabilized, however, the IHT was able to fashion an aggressive response. It included four major components: (1) a dramatic expansion of the printing and distribution network, including the opening of eight new printing sites in seven years; (2) a significant expansion of editional resources, which would take the journalist staff from 32 to 60 positions over the next decade; (3) a new emphasis on promotion and a higher public profile; and (4) new and an array of special supplements) along with a variety of new sales tools (including an expanded sales force and The IHT's capacity for independent reporting innovative market research). All of these expansion steps,



decade later — would be a 60 percent circulation increase, along with a four fold increase in circulation revenue and a fourfold expansion of advertising sales.

The first priority of the 1980's was to look beyond the core market in Europe. The IHT had already attracted some readership in Asia, about 2,000 copies a day by 1979, despite the high prices and long delays involved in air freighting from Europe. But recent cariff reductions now made an Asian facsimile princing link more affordable. In November 1979, an IHT fact-finding team made a three week tour of Asia. Hughner presented their report at a January, 1980 board meeting which approved their positive recommendation. Alain Lecour

selling 15,000 copies daily.

In January of 1981, Mort Rosenblum left the editorship and returned to the Associated Press. In March, the board confirmed the appointment as executive editor of Philip Foisie, foreign editor of The Washington Post. Walter Wells, who had joined the paper as deputy editor the previous year, remained in charge of day-to-day newsroom operations.

After an initial ten years of stability for the new IHT under one editor and one publisher, the five years from 1976 to 1981 had seen six different people filling those two senior posts. But a new period of stability was on the way. Over the next ten years, leading up to the 25th anniversary, there would be only one change in the chief editor's position and none in the publisher's office.

EDITORIAL INNOVATIONS MULTIPLY.

The new editorial team rapidly introduced a variety of innovations, including a new recruiting system, a second, earlier edition, and a system of regional copydesks. Two vereran journalists, Sam Abt and Charles Mitchelmore, took on the critical roles of day editor and

Meanwhile, the IHT continued to develop its own journalistic voice. Axel Krause became the paper's first economics correspondent in 1979 (he later became corporate editor). Patricia Wells (on food) and Roger Collis (on ravel) were among the regular contributors to currence from the Ganner newspaper group. Edgert and his assistant if any Sackert mole the structure had on sports pages including Rob Hughes (soccer), Sam Abt (bicycling), Bob Donahue (rugby) and Nick Stout (tennis). Most significantly, the IHT began to invest in its own foreign bureaus: the first were in London, Frankfurt and Singapore — where Michael Richardson was named Editor for Asia in 1986. While Times and Post material remained the backbone of the daily report, the paper also needed writers who could regularly meet European deadlines and who could write from an international perspective on subjects that were covered less intensively by its patents.

The investment in staff was accompanied by an investment in space. The newshole for business stories was doubled. The editorial-opinion page, under the editorship of Bob Donahue, was redesigned and extended to the adjoining page. New typography was inmoduced in 1982 and the use of "Briefs" and "Topics" columns was expanded. Finally, a new Arex computerized editing and typesetting system was introduced in 1983 by operations rector Steve Conaway.

In early 1982, the IHT family was saddened by the death of John Hay Whitney, chairman since 1958. His determination to keep the Paris paper alive, his high journalistic standards and his conviction that long-term development was more important than short-term profit, had laid the foundations for the future. To honor his memory, a "Whitney Fellows" program was set up to enable promising young American journalists to spend a sabbatical year in the IHT newstoom.

In October 1982, the IHT's Asian success led to a second regional printsite in Singapore. "We've doubled our stake in Asia," the promotional campaign declared. In 1983, a fourth European printing location was opened in The Hague, designed to serve the Benelux countries.

Two other milestone events marked the year 1983. In March, William S. Paley, founder of the American relevision network CBS, joined the board of directors as co-chairman. In June, Roland Pinson retired and was succeeded as deputy publisher by René Bondy, finance director since 1974.

In 1984, another printsite opened, this one in Marseille, serving southern France and Spain. "Paris to Marseille in Four Minutes!" announced the posters. In just started a continental edition in Frankfurt, while The mid-year, Alain Lectur returned from Asia to become associate publisher in Paris, taking charge of circulation operations. Dick Morgan, also now an associate publishdepartments. Morgan's deputy, Rolf Kranepuhl, was named advertising sales director, seconded by Juanita paper's unique international classified section.

Throughout the 1980's, the promotion staff also expanded its activities. Direct mail campaigns, "house" advertising, space exchanges with others publications and other promotional initiatives were all supped up significantly. Special events, ranging from film previews to fashion exhibitions, from election parties to balloon races, the Paris Liberty Flame, an exact replica of the touch held also helped raise the paper's profile.

Along with these steps came a new five-year readership study which found that the IHT was loved by its fans but misunderstood by many who still assumed it to be basically for Americans. Under the plan, added circulation inspectors were hired, promotion clions were intensified and a new system for private home and office. May and Tokyo in November.

which later became the weekly "Money Report" New point sites were recommended in Franklint, Tokyo and Miami. These and other steps, the plan suggested, would dramatic expansion, the IHT sended in for several years of (and did) take the paper to the 200,000 circulation mark low expense growth, steadily building its profits despite by the end of the decade. by the end of the decade.

Nineteen eighty-five was the year when all the initiatives of the early 1980's came together. Circulation (which had been at 129,827 copies in 1980) climbed to since 1985, in transferring the Miami print operation to 168,189 copies per day, ad revenue leapt upward by 34%, New York in 1988, bringing a strong strige in North and the paper posted a record profit.

American sales. In the fall of 1988, the IHT became the

Kong offices became regional centers, organized as legal moved to develop growing opportunities in the region subsidiaries of the French parent company. By the late Nineteen eighty-nine brought the sad news of 1980's, over one-quarter of all IHT employees would be the death of Waher Thayer. As president of the bound of working outside France.

In 1986, despite a substantial economic slow-down, the IHT established its eighth primate, in Miami,

eventful years in the paper's long history. In Rebruary, Phil Roisie renired to the United States. The new executive editor was John Vinocur, formerly memopoli- vacancies. ran editor at The New York Times, who had also served as Times bureau chief in Bonn and Paris.

In Vinocur's view, the IHT's editorial mission was being reshaped in the late 80's by four important forces: the acceleration of historic changes in Europe, the rapid emergence of a newly dynamic Asia, the prolifera-tion of new compension for the IHT, and the evergrowing majority of readers who were not Americans.

All of this required a more aggressive approach to editing. Vinocur concluded. To achieve this goal, the operations of the copy desks were revamped. The growing learnes section, under Katherine Knon's direction, was reorganized around a different theme for each day of the week. The sports section was extended to a second page and the business pages were reorganized.
With the help of two new graphics editors, the paper's use of photographs and other visual aids was sharpened. Even editorial color was occasionally introduced for the first time in many decades.

The familiar promotional line of the late 1970's and early 1980's, "The World in 16 Pages," had emphasized the compactness of the IHT, an important point for a world in which, as Huebner repeatedly put it, "we are competing for people's time, not their money." The old slogan had to be adjusted, however, as the average paper jumped to 18 pages or more.

Vinocut also brought new writers to the paper, including Reginald Dale as economics correspondent (10 be succeeded by Tom Redburn when Dale became edisor for economics and finance), Suzy Menkes on fashion (following Hebe Dorsey's death in 1987), Martin Baker on personal finance, Ian Thomsen on sports, and Barry James as a general assignment reporter. The stringer network was expanded and additional bureaus were opened in Tokyo and New York, headed today by Steven Brull and Lawrence Malkin. Eric Ipsen was hired in London and Richard Smith in Frankfurt. By the end of the decade, editorial staff levels were almost double those of 1980. The expanded seam now included over a dozen full-time reporters, in Paris and in six foreign bureaus.

Many new tasks were also handled by existing staff. Wells, Abt and Mitchelmore continued as senior lieutenants. When chief copy editor Bob Matino took a leave of absence to join The New York Times, Nick Stout was promoted to his position. Richard Berry and Jonathan Gage played expanding roles as key regional editors. When Fred Fams retired as U.S. editor, Paul Horvitz was sent to Washington and was replaced by Dave Preston as sports editor in Paris. Later, another premerger veteran, Steve Williams, would take over the special reports department.

GLOBAL CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS.

Nineteen eighty-seven was also the paper's centennial year in Paris and the 12 month celebration was global in scope. Major events included a "Newspaper of the Year" award dinner at New York's Overseas Press Club, a "Gordon Bennett" vintage car rally at Bad Homburg (on the same course as Bennett's original auto race in 1904) and an elephant polo match in England (honoring Bennett's role in beinging polo to America). On October 3, the eve of the anniversary date, a gala dinner was held for some 1600 members of the IHT family at the Trocadero Gardens in Paris, overlooking the Eiffel Tower. The Tower itself lowered its lights as the crowd blew out the birthday candles.

Two successful Centennial conferences were staged, in Paris and in Singapore. A Centennial magazine, Our Century, Our World, was planned by Walter Wells and edited by Joe Fitchers. A Centennial Scholarship to INSEAD, Europe's leading graduate business school, was created. Supplements, quiz competitions and er, took over the growing promotion and marketing a variety of anniversary souvenins helped mark the occasion, along with a 30 minute film and a comprehensive, scholarly history, The First Hundred Years, by Caspan, who had played a leading role in developing the Professor Charles Robertson. The rediscovery of the paper's early history spilled over into the testoration of the James Gordon Bennert monument in New York's Herald Square in 1989 as well as a unique exhibition called "An American Newspaper in Paris" at the Musée d'Orszy in Paris in 1990.

Another project was a global funding deve for aloft by the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor, crafted by the same French artisans who had just restored growth plan — giving particular emphasis to circulation the Seatue. The Flame was welcomed to France at a and editorial development. The plan echoed a 1980 dinner at the Palace of Versailles during the fall Gentennidinner at the Palace of Versailles during the fall Generalial week, and, in May 1989, Mayor Jacques Chirac helped unveil the monument at its permanent site in Paris.

On top of all this, two new printsites were opened amid enthusiastic anniversary festivities: Rome in

The IHT caught its breath in 1988, a year of Simply says. "We Built Our Name Around It."

and a monthly "Personal Finance" section was created — contomic slowdown compounded by a plunging dollar (which made much of the paper's revenue less valuable when translated into French francs). After several years of

But the innovative spirit communed. One example was the success of Michael Control, U.S. President As the company grew in size, it also became first western newspaper to sign a contract for expanded more decentralized. The New York, London and Hong Sovier sales. Later, as the Sovier bloc combled, the paper

directors for 30 years, Thayer had been one of the true architects of the modern IHT. Richard D. Simmons, president of The Washington Post Company, became permitting same day distribution throughout the Amerithe paper's new president and he moved quickly to cas. It was an expensive venture, and it took several years develop new forms of cooperation between the HTT and

approved their positive recommendation. Alain Lecour quickly moved to Hong Kong to set up an office.

The Hong Kong printsite was inaugurated on September 15, 1980. It was the first time in history that the same newspaper had been printed at the same time on opposite sides of the world. And it was indeed the "same" paper, offering an identical global overview to readers everywhere. Within one year, the new edition was readers everywhere. Within one year, the new edition was succeeded by the deputy of the most of the became adventising sales director in Paris. More and more now the paper was able to promote from within to fill

CIRCULATION SURGE CONTINUES.

In September of 1989, an eleventh printsite was opened in Frankfurt — just in time to serve Germany and Fastern Europe more efficiently during that amazing fall of revolution and liberation. The initiative had been a long-time dream of Wolfgang Lauterbath, general manager in Frankfurt since 1975.

Events such as Trenammen Square and the fall of the Berlin Wall gave an added lift to circulation as the year proceeded. A year-end news photo even showed Romanian troops in Timisoara reading the IHT's account of the uprising there during a pause in the lighting. Meanwhile, adventising revenues also rebounded sharply, helped by new approaches to audience research under the guidance of marketing director Brian Shields.

Ninences ninety proved to be an even stronger ex. Events in Essem Europe and the Persian Gulf helped life circulation by 6%, double the normal pace.

Average daily sales reached 195,690 copies, and for five of the last seven months the daily average exceeded 200,000 copies. Asian sales hit the 40,000 mark. Advertising lineage surged to 9,592 columns, second only to 1985 as the highest total in history.

In mid-1990, Gany Thome succeeded Robin-MacKichan as London managing director and Randy Weddle took over as the Pan's promotion manager. A new agreement was worked out between management and the production workers, bringing new economies and paving the way for new technologies. In October, William S. Paley, co-chairman since 1983, died in New York, an event which led to a modification in the paper's ownership the following spring when The New York Times and The Washington Post purchased the Whitney shareholding in the IHT, each moving up to 2 30% stake in the ownership.

The Gulf War ushered in 1991. For journalists. it presented the professional challenge of a lifetime. For the circulation department, however, it had a mixed impact, bringing large newsstand gains, accompanied by servere reductions in bulk orders to airlines and hotels as the public stopped traveling. Bulk sales had been growing steadily until they totaled over 40,000 copies a day and the speed with which these sales rebounded after the war was a headening sign of the paper's appeal. The aborted Soviet coup and the collapse of the USS.R. also attracted new readers as the year proceeded.

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The Gulf War brought substantial advertising cancellations in the early months of 1991, but ad sales also bounded back strongly in the fall, led by record gains in the U.S. and the Middle East, a flood of four-color advertising, and the continued growth of the advertising supplements program, directed by Bill Mahder. Also belieful was the paper's success in retaining financial advertising, especially ads aimed at the personal investor.

All in all, with bein from a continuing program of strict cost management, the IHT was able to make: 1991 yer another year of improving profit.

The 1991 results also reflected the growing contribution of the paper's two youngest departments, Special Projects and Conferences, Since 1980, the Special Projects group, under Bruce Singer's direction, has produced a long series of IHT publications - including gift books, discouries, travel guides, and the French Company Handbook. The department's scope also includes district and other quality office products. The IHT conference program stated modestly with an annual foreign cachange conference in the 1970's. Today, Susan Lubominski's four-person conference staff manages a global program including up to a dozen conferences annually.

Now well into its 25th anniversary year, the IFIT's momentum continues. Circulation is growing in 1992 with the recovery of international travel. Advertising is up and the paper is poised to make further advances." with the lifting of the global recession. With research: showing nearly two and a half readers per copy, the paper can now claim nearly half a million readers each day in. 164 countries, more than double the 72 countries its first edition reached in 1967. Its readership on the continent of Europe exceeds the combined seadership of the Financial. Times and the European Wall Succe Journal Scotles at ... in progress for possible new principes in places as discust. as Spain, Scandinavia, India and Australia.

"The World's Most Important News for the World's Most Important Audience" was the tag-ine used. on much of the IHI's promotional material in mount years, summing up the company's ideal match of editorial and commercial strategies. But as the paper marks the 25th anniversary of its emplorationary rebutth, an appropriaare new slogan has also beginn to appear - one that reminds the IHT family everywhere of the vision of those + who launched the new era in 1967. International, #